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"I Visited The South's Oldest Baptist Church And District Association"

By Louis D. Newton
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They asked me to attend the 196th session of the Charleston Baptist Association, meeting this year, 1947, at Ashley River Church. I was very glad for this opportunity to go again to Charleston, first, to attend the oldest District Association in the Southern Baptist Convention, organized in 1751; and, second, to visit again the South's oldest Baptist Church—the First Church, Charleston, constituted in 1683.

Pastor John A. Hamrick of the historic old First Church met me that morning at the North Charleston Station, and after a good breakfast at the Francis Marion, we went across the river to the Ashley River Church, where, despite heavy rain, a great throng of people were assembled in one of the finest sessions of any District Association I have ever attended. The fellowship was wonderful, the reports were heartening, and the hospitality was abounding. Never shall I forget the bounteous dinner, beautifully served, with marsh hen, venison, country ham, beef in all its tasty forms, and cakes and pies to suit any comer. I must add that there was rice in more delicious make-ups than I have ever found before.

Sixteen Hundred and Eighty-three!

After dinner, Pastor Hamrick took me back across the river into the city

to visit that historic shrine on Church Street—First Baptist Church, founded 1683. Let that date fix itself in your mind—1683!

Although it was raining, my hat came right off the moment we stepped from the car. And if the six million other Southern Baptists could have stood with me in that street, everyone would have felt as I felt. My eyes soon fell upon these lines:

Keep silence, friend, for some have come

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Tithing Emphasis Leads Church To Over-Subscribe Budget

TEXARKANA, Tex. —(BP)— A story with three parts:

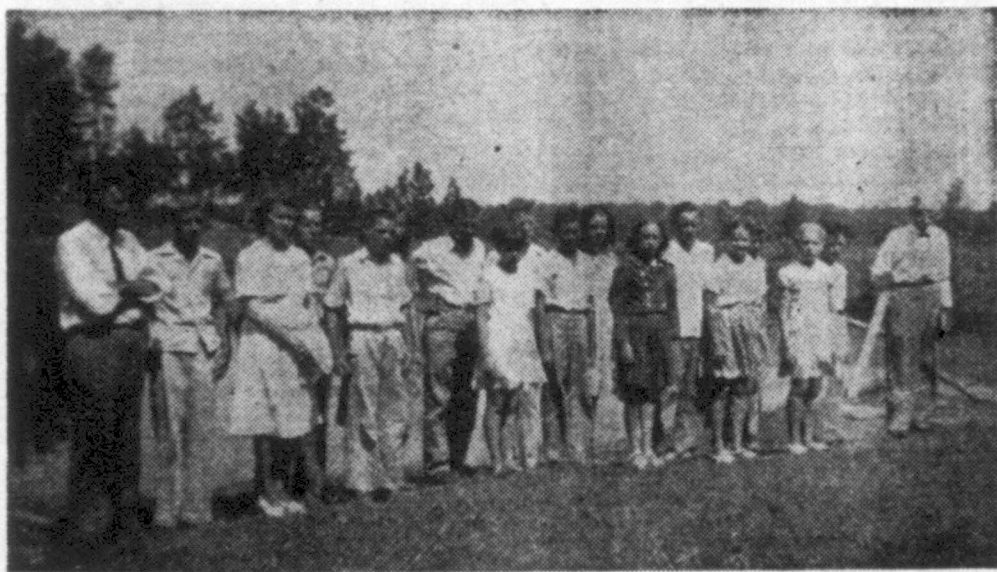
Preparation: Pastor Carl E. Bates led the membership of First Baptist Church, Texarkana, in a week of intensive emphasis on stewardship and the tithe.

The Test: On Sunday, the church asked its members for pledges toward a record high budget of \$62,500 for 1948.

VICTORY: Tabulation of cards at the end of the day revealed subscriptions for \$79,703.32—128 per cent of the goal, with the canvass not yet complete.

The church's 1947 budget was \$43,000.

Editor's Note: Pastor Bates is a Mississippian and a graduate of Mississippi College and the Southern Seminary.



Carries On At 90

Rev. Joel Dorroh, who is the father of several preacher sons, continues to serve his Lord even though 90 years of age.

During the past summer he supplied at Macedonia Church, Calhoun County.

He was assisted in the annual revival by Rev. J. E. Gore, Schlater pastor.

Above is shown the converts of the meeting with Rev. Mr. Dorroh at the extreme right.

Protestant Strength Increasing In Italy

By Gunhild Bergh

RNS Service Correspondent

ROME — Protestants in Italy have shown a general increase of eight per cent since the end of the war, with the Seventh-day Adventists and Pentecostal sects claiming the largest individual membership gain—20 per cent—according to a survey made by Protestant leaders here. The survey was said to have disclosed that the in-

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CHARLES R. CAGE

Charles R. Cage, Director of Promotion, Southern Baptist Relief Center, Guest Speaker Mississippi Baptist Training Union Convention, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tuesday, December 30.

Mr. Cage was President of the Louisiana Baptist Training Union Convention last year, and for the past five years has been Associational Training Union Director of New Orleans. Mr. Cage will speak to our convention on the afternoon of the convention, and will also show the picture "Seeds of Destiny" at the evening service.

—BR—

The Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar

Religious New Service Correspondent
CHURCH AID SOUGHT IN CONSCRIPTION FIGHT

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The fight over universal military training legislation is beginning to be the biggest single knock-down-and-drag-out battle that will take place in Congress in 1948.

Proponents and opponents of UMT are as busy as they can be. While a majority of the church lobbyists—and church people generally—still are opposed to any form of compulsory peacetime military training, the proponents have picked up quite a bit of church support in recent months.

As a result, committees—which are really just "front" organizations for more powerful groups—of both sides can boast impressive big-name churchmen among their "sponsors."

Owen J. Roberts, retired U. S. Supreme Court Justice, is the titular leader of the National Security Committee, recently formed, whose sponsors include such notables as Dr. Daniel A. Poling, editor of the Christian Herald, and such religious groups as the fundamentalist American Council of Christian Churches.

The National Committee Against Conscription here can't boast any such big-name leaders, but its executive

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Hospital Addition Dedication Held

The splendid new addition to the Baptist Hospital, forming an imposing South wing of the building, of Convention week was dedicated Tuesday afternoon at special services at the Mississippi Baptist convention.

There were three special recognitions made:

The entire addition was dedicated as the Hederman Addition, a memorial to the parents of the five Hederman sons, Robert M., Jr., Zac and Henry, sons of the late R. M. Hederman, Sr., and Mrs. Hederman; and Thomas M. Jr., and Arnold, sons of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hederman, Sr.

A crippled children's ward was dedicated as the Hartfield ward in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartfield.

Memorial To Miss Fannie Traylor

A special lounge and suite of rooms was dedicated in memory of the late Miss Fannie Traylor, longtime WMU secretary for Mississippi.

The dedication message written by Chairman D. C. Simmons of the Baptist Hospital board of trustees, and read by Harvey Hedgepeth, board member, preceded unveiling of portraits which will hang in the lounge of the new addition. These pictures Miss Traylor, Mr. Simmons, and the four Hederman parents of the young business men whose financial support of the hospital building program played a large part in its successful culmination.

Presiding over the section of the program devoted to the hospital addition dedication was Owen Cooper, member of the board of trustees and vice-president of the convention this year.

Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, of Jackson, state president of the Woman's Missionary Union, spoke briefly regarding Miss Traylor and the Hederman family.

Mrs. Gilfoy Speaks

Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, superintendent of the Baptist Hospital, told the

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BROTHERHOOD POINTS TO CHRIST BY EXAMPLE

AUSTIN, Tex. —(BP)—Several persons have accepted Christ after witnessing a labor of love by the men of Austin's Capitol Heights Baptist Church, Rev. L. R. Cole, pastor, has declared.

Men of the Brotherhood of the church contributed their labor, after their own working hours, to construction of a cottage home for a widow and her three children.

The woman's husband had been killed in action in Germany. Her rented home was sold, forcing her to move with no place to go. The church's laymen pledged their labor for construction of a new home if she would buy the material.

The Baptist Record EF Plan Helps Reach The Unenlisted

THE WASHINGTON REVIEW

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secretary, John Swomley, a former Methodist minister, knows that he can depend on the major Protestant religious leaders to take a stand against compulsory UMT. There's not much doubt but what the Quakers, the Church of the Brethren, the Methodists, the three largest Baptist groups and the Federal Council of Churches will go down the line against UMT when the occasion demands clear words.

Biggest single question mark here is the attitude of the Roman Catholic hierarchy. Both proponents and opponents of the legislation would like to be able to count on a clear-cut statement either endorsing or condemning peacetime conscription from the administrative board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, but there's little tendency now for either side to claim it knows what the official Catholic stand will be.

"We aren't counting on Roman Catholic support, as much as we would like to have it," said one prominent Quaker lobbyist, who will be spending day after day on Capitol Hill working against conscription when Congress comes back. "We believe sincerely that the Catholic Church's historic position in this country has been against peacetime conscription, but the Vatican's campaign against Russia and everything Russia stands for undoubtedly has aided the drift toward war.

"If the official Catholic position is to follow the direction in which the Vatican seems to have been heading in recent months, we are willing to admit that the hierarchy may actually come out in favor of UMT, reversing or tempering its stand against the legislation only two years ago."

Anti-Conscriptionists

The Quakers and other anti-conscriptionists make no secret of the legislative strategy they will follow in fighting enactment of UMT legislation in the next session. They say frankly that they are going to urge a delay in voting on the issue in both houses of Congress.

They are plugging the fact that Congress is going to have to decide three big issues before it can logically decide whether or not to adopt UMT:

First, they say, there is the issue of foreign aid.

Second, there is the issue of Congress deciding on a budget for the next fiscal year.

Third, Congress is going to have to study our foreign policy, particularly the policies being followed by our delegates in the United Nations, to find out if every single avenue leading to peace has been explored.

The anti-conscriptionists point out that the Department of State is urging a \$20,000,000,000 foreign aid program for the ensuing four years, not counting stop-gap aid that probably will be voted before Christmas.

At the same time, they point out, proponents of UMT are urging conscription, which will cost an estimated \$5,000,000,000 a year—or \$20,000,000,000 in the next four years. This is in addition to the already huge military expenditures being incurred.

The opponents of UMT say that America is going to have to decide whether it can afford both foreign aid and UMT. They argue the answer is that the nation cannot afford both—without inviting an inflation that

Baptists Use Billboards To Tell Public Of Christ

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — (BP) — Seventeen large billboards strategically located in Memphis and Shelby County will proclaim gospel tidings in 1948.

The billboards have been contracted by the Shelby County Baptist Brotherhood in an experiment which, if successful, will signal such advertising throughout the 20 state territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, according to plans laid by Lawson H. Cooke, executive secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South.

Displays on the 17 Shelby County billboards will be changed monthly, to give an aggregate of 204 presentations during the calendar year. Details are in the hands of the Cummings Advertising Agency, and displays will be of standard billboard size and done in expert advertising style, Cooke said.

The January display, now being prepared, will carry the message: "During 1948, Give God a Chance."

Hundreds of copy cards, carrying the same design and message as the billboards, will be used in stores, bus stations, railroad stations and everywhere else that permission can be secured for their display.

Cooke said that church and denominational publicity is one of the four main planks of the Southwide Brotherhood's 1948 program. "The project will require an enormous amount of promoting and I am quite sure that 1948 will be given very largely to promotion rather than actually advertising," Cooke said. "With the exception of our own local program, we will probably not get into the actual advertising business on a Southwide basis until 1949."

The Shelby County group has appropriated \$3,000 for their 1948 projects.

would make the present high prices look like depression bargains.

Committee on Civil Rights

The recommendations of the President's Committee on Civil Rights, which won nation-wide publicity, reflected religious influence as much as any such document released by an official board in recent years.

Three nationally-prominent religious leaders, one representing each of three great faiths, served on the committee. They were the Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States; Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn, spiritual leader of the Central Synagogue, Rockville Center, N. Y., and Bishop Francis J. Haas, of Grand Rapids, Mich., former director of the National Catholic School of Social Service here and also former dean of the Catholic University of America School of Social Science.

Religious representatives of all faiths and denominations here were in accord with the findings and recommendations of the committee.

The four central "essential rights" stressed in the committee report are (1) the right to safety and security of the person; (2) the right to citizenship and its privileges; (3) The right to freedom of conscience and expression, and (4) the right to equality of opportunity.



"I VISITED THE SOUTH'S OLDEST BAPTIST CHURCH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION"

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To cast their care on God today,
And some to praise from thankful hearts,
And some, "Thy Kingdom come," to pray.

Keep silence: Let Him speak anew
To every heart - perhaps to you!

—Ella Broadus Robertson

I scanned the markers on the iron fence and others on the front of the majestic front of the grand old meeting house. And there to the left I noted the cemetery where many noble dead were buried. My memory was leaping across the generations...

Screven - Furman - Manley - Boyce
Inside, I stood in wonder, praise and awe. The pulpit with its open Bible, the pews, the magnificent lines, the windows, the tablets!

My memory went back to 1682, and to Kittery, Maine. I thought of Pastor William Screven and the brave little band of Baptists who were so persecuted that they fled to South Carolina, and in 1683 constituted the first Baptist Church in the South on the banks of the Copper River, naming the settlement Somerton.

Then came Joseph Blake with a group of colonists. His wife and mother joined the church, but Governor Blake did not join, "due to his governmental position, though he proved a sympathetic friend." And then came Lord Cardross, from northern England with a group of settlers, many of them Baptists. One hundred years before Charles Town was incorporated, there was a strong Baptist Church. In 1693 the church was removed to what is now Charleston.

The first meetings were held in the home of William Chapman on King Street, but in 1699 William Elliott gave the church the present lot on Church Street, where a frame meeting house was erected, and which was seized by the British in the Revolutionary War as a storehouse for salt beef and other provisions. In 1822, while Dr. Richard Furman was pastor, the present elegant meeting house was erected. The pulpit is solid mahogany, brought from the West Indies. The building was designed by the first American-born architect, Robert Mills. Of the building he wrote: "The Baptist Church of Charleston exhibits the best specimen of correct taste in architecture in the city. It is purely Greek in style, simply grand in its proportions, and beautiful in its detail."

With Screven and Furman must be linked the names of Manly and Boyce. But does that cover the list of Baptist notables in connection with this historic church? Space restrains me. There are many, many personalities and events that deserve attention, but I started out only to stimulate interest on the part of the reader to go to the source books of Baptist history and get it all.

And I must add that Pastor Hamrick and his people are carrying on nobly.

PROTESTANT STRENGTH INCREASING IN ITALY

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crease in Protestant adherents has stemmed mainly from opposition to policies of the Christian Democratic Party and the "intense political activity" of the Roman Catholic clergy.

It was reported that besides actual converts, there is a growing number of so-called "sympathizers" who are undecided whether or not to join a Protestant church but are frequenting Protestant services and reading Protestant literature and books. According to informants, two factors which have helped to increase Protestant strength in Italy are the "Allied influence," which has made it possible to preach openly in public squares, and the Protestant services broadcast on Sunday mornings from radio stations in Rome, Firenze, Milan, Turin, Venice, Genoa, and Cagliari.

The comparatively large increase in the number of Adventists and Pentecostals, now totaling 23,000, is attributed in part to belonging to Allied occupational forces, especially in southern Italy, where the two churches have their largest congregations.

The Protestant survey revealed also that Methodists and Baptists number 30,000. The former group includes Methodist Episcopalians and Wesleyans who united in May, 1936, under Superintendent Emmanuele Sliaffi. Methodists are now urging a union with the Waldesians, and the proposal is said to have been accepted in principle by the latter.

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1,500 Additions At St. Louis; C. E. Matthews Was Leader

The simultaneous revival under the fine leadership of Dr. C. E. Matthews, superintendent of evangelism of the Southern Baptist Convention, exceeded everything of this sort St. Louis Baptists have ever undertaken.

All fifty-three churches co-operated in one way or another. There were over 1,500 additions to the membership of the churches with several hundred persons making professions that have not yet been received into the churches.

One of the finest features of our simultaneous revival was the fellowship hour each morning at breakfast, in the dining room of Missouri Baptist Hospital. The breakfast was followed by an hour of instruction in the various phases of evangelism.

Dr. Matthews was ably assisted by B. B. McKinney, C. B. Jackson, Jess Yelvington, C. Wade Freeman, Frank Weddon, W. L. Muncy and C. O. Johnson

Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

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"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Jesus in Matthew 7:12

I

THE LAST WEEK OF OUR LORD'S MINISTRY AND CRUCIFIXION

Tuesday the sunset is golden in the west. "Day is dying in the west, Heaven is touching earth with rest. Wait and worship while the night Sets her evening lamps alight Thro' all the sky. Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts! Heaven and earth are full of Thee! Heaven and earth are praising Thee, O Lord Most High!" He has returned to Bethany and is to come back to Jerusalem later to die. Let us remember as we walk through the corridor of these days, we are walking with one of princely tread. A solemn hush falls over our souls as we watch that heavenly countenance. He knows the Cross is just ahead, but He does not falter.

Witness: Read Matthew 26:1-16, John 12:2-8. First, He prophesied His death. His enemies do not hear it and His disciples as yet do not grasp the full meaning of it. He is to die! He is to die for our sins!

Second, they plot His death. Hate is on the rampage! He must go or they must go! Do you desire anything so badly that you are willing to crush someone else in order to get it? Do you hate? Leave it dead at your feet! Drive it out! Drink in love at the fountain of God's heart! Isaiah 53. I Peter 2:24. "There is no limit to the abysmal depths to which hate and revenge will plunge any man or cause. It was hate that committed the first murder - 'He that hateth his brother is a murderer.' It was the hate of Esau from which Jacob was a refugee for more than fourteen years. It was the hate of ten brothers which sold Joseph to the Midianites, who delivered him to Egyptian masters. It was hate, 'the wrath of the king' which drove Moses from Egypt into the wilderness for forty years. It was the hate of Saul which pursued David with three thousand javalins and which at last cost the king his crown when he met tragic death with his own sword on the ill-fated battle field of Gilboa. It was the hate of Ahab and Jezebel which led to the destruction of both, the dogs licking their blood off the streets of Samaria. It was the hate of a wicked king and corrupt priest which cast Jeremiah into the pit and threw him into the iron dungeon. It was the hate of Herodias which demanded the head of John the Baptist on a charger. It was the hate of the Sanhedrin which drove the nails into the hands and feet of the Son of God on Calvary. It was the hate of the Judiazers and false teachers which hounded the Apostle Paul throughout his career of preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ and at last beheaded him at Rome. Another thing about hate, it makes strange bed-fellows. Pontius Pilate and bloody Herod were bitter enemies. Equally so there was bitter enmity between the Jewish Sanhedrin and the Roman rulers, but when Christ the Lord was the issue these bitter enemies made common cause - 'For of a truth against Thy holy child Jesus, whom Thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together.' (Acts 4:27)."

Third, she prepared Him for His death. How she loved Him! She brought flowers before it was too late. Hers was a reckless faith and an undying love. Yet some thought it wasted, Matthew 26:9. It was a remark of the cautious, the critical, the covetousness! In Matthew 13 Jesus shows that about three-fourths of the seed are lost but the other fourth brings forth a bountiful harvest. Jesus appreciated the action of the woman, and if Jesus appreciates a thing that is enough.

Fourth, Judas plays Him to His death. Judas sold out for thirty pieces of silver. He betrayed the one sinless life. Satan entered into him and caused him to sell out to Satan's crowd. Satan will still get into a man and cause him to block the entire Kingdom of God and for selfish reasons. Oh, could Judas have seen the black night for him just ahead! His conscience is to drive him to despair and to death. Judas has as much right to betray Jesus as you or I have!

The shadow of the Cross is already across the heart of Jesus! Let us walk with Him in solemn hush as He approaches it.

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5. What new features would you like to have added?

Various answers were as follows:

"I like it as it is. Am satisfied to leave it to your discretion.", "Any that the secretary deems wise.", "Really, I had not thought of possible additions to this column.", "Progressive news - Say like October 16th issue. Also, the personal interest items, both programs and people, should be of interest and helpful", "Any thing that will help the cause of Christ.", "Greater works", "Don't know", "Any that you see fit.", "Don't see how anything better could be added.", "No suggestions. It suits us, as it is.", "Anything Dr. McCall wants to add.", "I especially enjoyed the question and answer of recent editions and I would like to see the feature continued.", "Anything you think will help.", "More emphasis on missions.", "I believe it should be left as it has been from week to week.", "I'd enjoy a few questions by various people answered each week, especially on the subject of rural church - its status, growth, and possibilities.", "I think we have all we need if we will only read and then do something to aid where needed.", "Doers of the work", "Any new feature that in your judgement would aid the progress of Mississippi Baptists.", "More vivid portrayal of 'Marthas' like myself against the 'Marys'", "Such as the writer may feel led to add.", "More report from work among the convicts at Parchman.", "Anything you see fit, I consider your judgement better than mine.", "Very good as it is", "You are the writer.", "None", "More about Christ.", "More Scripture readings on how to help win more sinners to Christ.", "Four columns would be easier to read.", "Can't think of any right now.", "More Scripture if anything.", "I consider the page as nearly perfect as humanly possible. The issues of a controversial nature are introduced and handled in a way to show that it is desired

by the writer that Christ be magnified always and in every way 'be lifted up'.", "Statements of people who tithe on the benefit they have already received.", "Let us leave this to Bro. McCall and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.", "Our secretary's personal testimony.", "Suits me", "More praise to the small churches who deserve it. We are only children 'grown up' and like a word of encouragement.", "I feel like that time is short, and that it is time for Mississippi Baptists to get on their knees and pray for a Spiritual awakening fast, and pray for others to be saved.", "A good temperance lesson each week."

6. Is it too long?

Scores answered, "No", or "It is not".

Others answered:

"I do not think so.", "Not for all the good work being done, the number of interest items and persons, places and churches.", "No, not for me.", "No, could use more.", "No definitely not.", "Not at all. I think it's just lengthy enough.", "Yes, I think it needs to be shortened some.", "Definitely no.", "No, indeed.", "It could be cut down some.", "No, I would like for you to have time to write more.", "Not necessarily, Altho I do know that short articles are read more often than long ones.", "Brevity is the soul of wit.", "No, I enjoy every word of page 3 of our Baptist Record.", "I believe more people would read it if made shorter", "I do not consider it so."

7. Would you like to have this page by the Executive Secretary continued?

The majority answered, "Yes." None answered in the negative.

Other answers were:

"Yes, by all means.", "It is a good way to inform the people as to programs and people, progress and reactions, personal interests.", "I would", "Yes, it is a splendid page.", "By all means!", "Yes, keep it up.", "Yes, indeed by all means if you are going to continue printing 'the Baptist Record.', "By all means, I would.", "Certainly", "Yes, but if you want many to read it - 'Stream-line it'.", "Yes, I think it is the life of the Baptist Record."

Comments:

"The Baptist Record is wonderfully helpful in promoting the cause of Christ.", "With all the Secretary has to do - and that is yards and yards - there is a lot of variety, help, and information.", "I read every word of it and thankful that we have such a Secretary.", "Keeps Baptists posted as to the splendid work being done.", "It is always a joy to me to read this column, I always read it first. It gives me strength.", "Keep it up.", "I would like to see more about the Orphanage in the B. R. It gets such a small part of the Co-operative funds and so little is said about it, it seems that it is almost being discriminated against.", "It is the next thing to a visit from him.", "I turn to this first! or pretty near the first. I really like it.", "I think you give us wonderful information which is very needful.", "There's always some new angle or interesting detail brought out in the scripture passage that I had never thought about or noticed before.", "Best wishes and prayers for you in this fine work." "I like the page just as it is, and do not want anything added if something has to be left out.", "I get more information from this page than anywhere else.", "I find this page helpful in all my church and S. S. work.", "I sincerely hope you will continue the column because I look forward to reading of the work as you go. It is an inspiration to me and may 'God Bless You' as you go.", "Please quit thinking and writing about the 'country church' as a problem. Do something by visiting, inspiring and prayer.", "I am not able (physically) to go to the church but I find there is so much work for a shut-in to do that they will be busy all the time.", "Always look forward to page 3.", "I like this page better than any other part of the paper.", "Through our church I am a reader of the Baptist Record and never fail to find good reading and see things about many pastors I have formally known.", "I feel we are fortunate in having you as our secretary, and think you are doing a great work.", "I think you are doing a good work, and am glad you decided to stay in Mississippi.", "So far as I am concerned, your page in the Baptist Record is yours to use as you see best and I am satisfied with what you are doing.", "We are so happy you are not leaving us. We appreciate your doing Christ's work in the spirit of Christ and all Mississippi can truly 'see Jesus in you.'", "This page means so much to me and family.", "We can learn from others. Smart people always do. Carry on and may God bless you.", "I think it is O. K. in all respects.", "I always enjoy this page as much or more than any other in the Record. I also enjoy reading about Dr. McCall's visits to different churches, etc.", "I enjoy all of it.", "I read what Dr. McCall writes if I don't read anything else because when he says things they mean something.", "We have several members who have Methodist in their homes and they read the Record and have told me that they enjoy this page more than any thing else and always turn to it first.", "Enjoy Scotchie's material always. Get inspiration from his doings and sayings. Always glad to hear from him and know what he is up to.", "I only read the verses of Scripture on this page until today, now I find the whole page interesting." "If this page can help Baptists to put this 'Love that never fails' into our hearts and live by this Golden Rule, it has gone a long way toward our missionary goal.", "Blessings upon you" to quote.", "It is inspirational.", "I have always enjoyed Bro. McCall's page in the Record and always turn to it first as his message prepares my heart for the rest of the paper.", "It is the best channel we have through which our Secretary can speak to every Baptist, share with them his experiences, give needed information, suggestions, plant appropriate thoughts and truths.", "I consider this material the most valuable and representative of our mission program.", "I like the Scripture reading, and would like to see in print on this page the scripture on the Millennium.", "Continue to write as you feel led by the Lord to write.", "We join our prayers for the advancement of Mississippi Baptists.", and a preacher says, "Forget pussy footed preachers"

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"Hitherto-Henceforth"

By Louie D. Newton

The State Convention period is a revealing time with Southern Baptists. I would not say as revealing as the District Association period, but coming after the District Associations, the State Conventions are all the more significant as barometers of the spiritual temperature of our people.

Attendance upon a number of the State Conventions, and careful study of the reports of all of them in the Baptist State Papers, brings me to the conclusion that our people have two great prayers deep in their hearts - first, thanksgiving unto God for His unspeakable goodness and mercy in having brought us hitherto; second, continuing grace to sustain us in the purpose to seek first the Kingdom of God, "henceforth expecting till His enemies be made His footstool."

Four Great Concerns

Enheartened by the greatest number of baptisms in any year, by steadily increasing gifts through the Cooperative Program, by overflowing student bodies in the colleges and seminaries, by ever-enlarging ministries to orphaned children and sick people, by unprecedented church attendance in urban and rural communities alike, by increasing enrollment in Sunday School and Training Union, by steady growth of Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood, by ever-deepening interest and commitment of the young people to the Kingdom of God, by generous and prompt response to calls for relief, and by the beautiful spirit of unity among our people everywhere, Southern Baptists face 1948 with four concerns, if I rightly interpret the situation, namely:

Evangelism - concern for the salvation of every lost soul within our borders and to the ends of the earth;

Stewardship - concern for the enlistment of every member of

every church in faithful stewardship of money;

Rehabilitation - concern for the broken lives and conditions of humanity in every community of earth;

Soul Liberty - concern that Freedom shall not perish from the earth - freedom for ourselves, and others.

We live in an age on ages telling. God help us find and follow His will.

—BR—

Some Church Manners

People who wish to be correct in social manners often refer to what Emily Post says as an authority. Someone has remarked that perhaps we need a "Church Emily Post" to tell people what is correct at the public services. In referring to a small minority of people who leave services of worship as the invitation starts, the Christian Index of Georgia says as follows:

"We are thinking about that dozen or so persons who consider the invitational hymn at the close of the morning service the signal for their departure. Nothing is more disgusting to those who must have their spirit of worship disrupted by these who crowd their way out of the pew.

"These ill-mannered ones detract from the service at its most important moment. The minister is standing at the front pleading with the lost to acknowledge Christ as their Saviour. The great majority has joined in a prayer that this may be a great hour for Him.

"It is at this moment that the scattered few start working their way toward the aisle and home for an early dinner. They save themselves a half-dozen minutes but lose the very climax of the church hour. More than that, by their ill manners they partially destroy the call being made to the unsaved and the spirit of worship for the others."

In some situations, as in a college town where students work in the dining halls, and must leave to prepare the meals, this should be permissible. It is better for them to hear the sermon, even if they cannot remain. But usually the congregation knows why these are going, and no stir is created. On the whole, however, people should remain to the end of the service.

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They Can Help

Angelo Patri in his syndicated column in the secular press speaks out regarding the trend toward indecency which has become apparent. We reproduce in part his remarks as carried in his column:

For some years now the public

has been besieged with sex appeals on the radio, on the stage, in the advertising columns of the newspapers, and in the shop windows.

Now sex is an integral force in our lives, a source of creative beauty in our work, a source of joy in our relationships, something very special in our lives, so precious as to become sacred. How does it come to be used as a selling device? As a joke in the cheap entertainments?

My chief concern is for children and youth. Quite ignorant of the implications of sex, they are exposed to its influence before they can be prepared for it in mind or body. That is most unfair, unkind and worse. Of course, this appeal is not intended for children but children have eyes and ears that are quick; they read what the billboards have to say and study the illustrations. They cannot help but get a warped idea of the whole matter.

Just what to do about it is the business men's or the business women's problem. In this country we dislike censorship. We don't make laws that prohibit if we can help it. Surely in the cause of children's mental and physical well-being, in the cause of human decency, the indecent advertisements can be cured. Could not the more conservative people in the business modify the extravagances of others?

In selecting pictures for the calendars for the year 1948, many business offices could certainly choose displays that would show better taste than some we have noted in 1947. We suggest that Anglo Patri's ideas deserve the consideration of the business world.

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What Shall I Render?

What shall I render unto the Lord? In Psalms 116:12 we find this question asked, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?"

It is interesting to study carefully the answers that the Psalmist gives to his question. He said first, "I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord," and then, "I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people." He also said, "I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call upon the name of the Lord."

Let's consider these pledges that the Psalmist made. He said that he would call upon the name of the Lord. We conclude therefore that he was a man of prayer and knew the value of having fellowship with God. How can we today call ourselves Christians unless we call upon God—not just when we have problems, but about every-

thing that concerns us and His Kingdom's work.

"I will pay my vows," the Psalmist said in the presence of all his people. The house of God is a place where we can testify for our Creator, and the least that we should render unto the Lord on the first day of the week is to go to His house, the Church, in the spirit of prayer and give sacrificially and gladly for His work and worship Him in spirit and truth.

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

Charge Catholic Prejudice Led To Police Demotions

Despite some good work by the Memphis round table of Christians and Jews, a religio-political pot boiled over this summer in the local police department. For months there has been a persistent rumor that Inspector W. J. Raney "intended to run every Protestant off the force." When three high-ranking officers whose service totaled 70 years were humiliatingly demoted, the newspapers made the matter a public issue. It was pointed out that the three were high-ranking Masons, and that one of them, Inspector W. E. Crawford, had charged that his demotion had been brought about by his Masonic connections. As the result of an investigation the police commissioner severed Mr. Crawford from the department "for starting the rumor about a purge by Catholic." For many Protestants in Memphis, the matter has not been settled by the investigation. — Copied.

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Arkansas Baptists Plan For Centennial

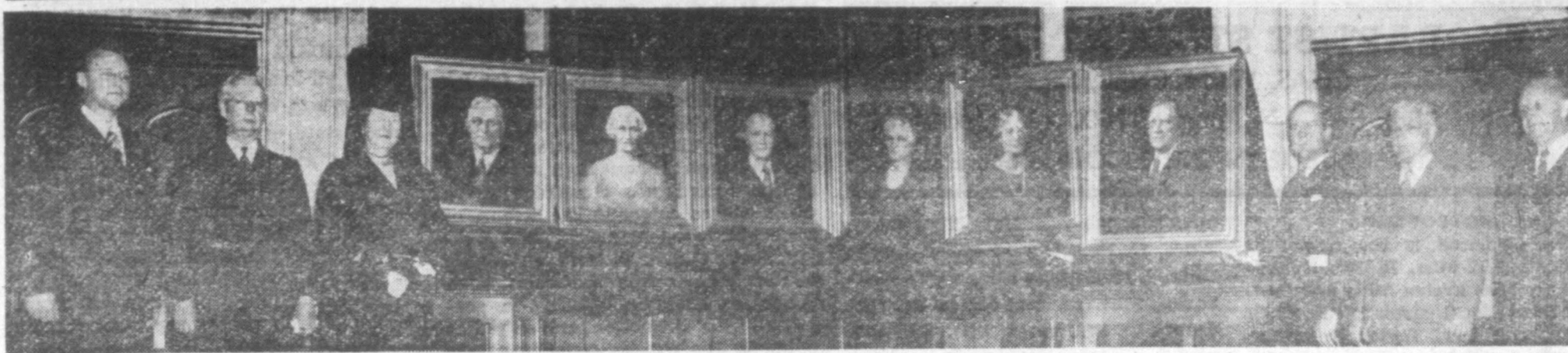
LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — (BP)— The Arkansas Baptist State Convention in its annual session looked forward to its Centennial year of 1948 and set goals of a record \$516,660 budget, completion of the Ouchita College \$1,000,000 campaign, liquidation of all debts, and 25,000 baptisms.

The convention also set up a permanent planning and steering commission to correlate the policies and needs of all Baptist institutions, camp grounds and institutions in the state. Approval was voted for the removal of Central College from Conway to the site of war-time Camp Robinson, near Little Rock.

Resolutions unanimously adopted condemned the liquor traffic, the use of tobacco, and President Truman's appointment of Myron C. Taylor as his personal representative to the Vatican. Baptists pastors, church workers and the convention's religious education department were urged to take immediate steps to oppose "the use of tobacco or liquor in any form."

An allocation of \$10,000 was voted to help the National Baptist Convention purchase and equip a Baptist hospital for Negroes at Hot Springs.

Rev. E. C. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Blytheville, was elected convention president



The scene at the Baptist State convention Tuesday afternoon in the First Baptist church when nurses from the Baptist Hospital unveiled these portraits of friends of the hospital and denominational leaders, pictures which will hang in the new addition to the great hospital dedicated at the special Tuesday services. Left to right, Harvey Hedgepeth, Dr. J. P. Wall, trustees, Mrs. Karenza Gilfof, superintendent; portraits of R. M. Hederman, Sr., Mrs. R. M. Hederman,

Sr., T. M. Hederman, Sr., Mrs. T. M. Hederman, Sr., Miss Fannie Traylor and D. C. Simmons. Then are seen Owen Cooper, trustee, Convention President Aaber J. Wilds, and Superintendent L. J. Bristow of the Baptist Hospital at New Orleans, principal speaker for the dedicatory services of the Hederman Addition. (See Story on Page One).

HOSPITAL ADDITION DEDICATION HELD

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story of the hospital in a talk she called "From the Beginning." Mrs. Gilfof outlined the progress the great Baptist institution has made since its establishment in 1909 under the wisdom of Dr. H. R. Shands and Dr. W. F. Yarbrough, referring to the building programs of 1924 and 1938, climaxing with the present Hederman addition. The hospital she said, is now a \$1,100,000 hospital with 300 beds. During its 35 years the hospital has turned out 481 graduate nurses, and has given hospitalization to over 250,000 patients.

The unveiling of six portraits which will hang in the Hederman Addition of the Baptist Hospital followed Mrs. Gilfof's talk. With Dr. J. P. Wall, prominent Jackson physician and secre-

tary of the Hospital's board of trustees, in charge, two nurses of the hospital drew the curtains which had withheld the view of the portraits from the audience.

Dr. Wall then presented Dr. Louis J. Bristow, superintendent of the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans, who delivered the principal address of the program.

Music during the special service was furnished by Baptist Hospital Nurses Choral Club with Maurice Thompson as director and Miss Hazel Chisholm at the organ.

Text of the remarks prepared by Mr. Simmons:

"It is my privilege to speak at this point in behalf of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, the Superintendent and the entire personnel of the Hospital — as well as on behalf of all who suffer and need the ministry of

healing — but it will be apparent that I shall be unable to fully express the feelings of any of these groups, or of myself.

"The dedications we make today represent the spontaneous expressions of those charged with the administration of the Hospital, — not the ideas of the donors or those whom they and we now honor. The fact is that in each instance where living persons are being honored, it was only upon our insistence that permission was gained to bestow the honors which we felt were so timely and appropriate.

The Hartfield Ward

"In making the first dedication we speak especially in behalf of the crippled children. They are in our hearts both day and night. Until lately our equipment has not been the best, but now by means of a liberal gift from long-time friends of the Hospital, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartfield of Jackson, we are able to offer in this service the benefits of strictly modern facilities and equipment for the special treatment required.

FANNIE TRAYLOR Lounge

"Our next dedication call for little comment by me. It already has been appropriately mentioned by the President of the Woman's Missionary Union in better terms than I command. The Hospital has never had better or more dependable friends than the members of the W.M.U. For a most generous gift from this organization and at their suggestion (in which we concur most heartily) we now dedicate to the memory of Miss Frances Traylor the attractive lounge and a suit of rooms on the second floor of the new addition to be known as the "Frances Traylor Memorial."

"Many individual rooms throughout the new addition have been attractively furnished by individuals or families in memory of loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord or in honor of loved ones still living, the gift in each instance being \$1,000.00 or more.

The Hederman Addition

"Our last dedication is of the entire new addition as a unit.

"When the campaign to raise funds was in the early stages and the long, hard road lay ahead, those of us engaged in the undertaking were greatly enheartened and stimulated when there came to us five young men — they came of their own accord and desire — bringing a gift.

It came as a simple gift, humbly made by five young businessmen whose only desire was that it be accepted in Christ's name and used in "healing humanity's hurt". When we insisted that some special recognition of this gift be made their answer was "just say it was given in



HOSPITAL BENEFACTORS — Mr.

and Mrs. J. M. Hartfield, (above), prominent Jackson residents, have been friends and benefactors of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital over a long period of years, and now a special ward devoted to the treatment of crippled children has been named for them, and will be known as the Hartfield Crippled Children's Ward. The Hartfields have not only made frequent and large donations to the Baptist hospital, but both have given untiringly of their time and service to the benefit of the institution. Although not a member of the board of trustees at the present time, both Mr. and Mrs. Hartfield have served on the board in various capacities in years past. The Hartfields were paid high tribute at the Mississippi Baptist Convention during a special dedicatory service for the hospital and at which the announcement of the naming of the ward in their honor was made.

honor of our parents." The five young men were Robert Hederman, Henry H. Hederman, Thomas M. Hederman, Jr., and Arnold S. Hederman, all of Jackson, Mississippi. The parents being honored are Mrs. Robert M. Hederman, Sr. and the late Robert M. Hederman parents of Robert M., Jr., Zack T. and Henry H. Hederman and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Hederman, parents of Thomas M., Jr. and Arnold S. Hederman.

"For more than a half century, the Hederman family of Jackson has meant much in every phase of Baptist and other (Continued on Page Eleven)

SAMPLE CHURCH BUDGETS

Along the way brethren have asked us for help in fashioning local church budgets. It seems to us the most help might be derived from considering budgets of churches of varying types and sizes. We do not say that anyone of the budgets we shall present is ideal for all situations. We have simply selected some progressive New Testament churches that are forging ahead in the work of Christ.

The first budget is from one of the large, outstanding, and better known full-time country churches of Mississippi.

They give about 33% of their total budget to Missions. Please remember that this is a country church.

Their record follows:

Name of Church—Salem Baptist Church (Covington County).

Location of Church—2½ miles North of Collins, Miss.

Name of Pastor—J. Reese Rogers.

Address of Pastor—Collins, Miss.

Name of Treasurer—Floyd McGee.

Address of Treasurer—Collins, Miss.

Type Church, as farmers, industrial business men, etc.—Farmers, some Business Men.

Comments: We do not take Every Member Canvass—We use the "Tithes and Offerings" method.

What tracts and books on the budget, stewardship and tithing have you found helpful? We usually distribute a number of denominational tracts on Stewardship through the year and preach frequently on some phase of stewardship.

BUDGET

SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

YEAR OCT. 1 1947 THRU SEPT. 30, 1948

LIGHTS	50.00
INSURANCE	125.00
SEXTON	225.00
LITERATURE	300.00
(A) PERIODICALS	225.00
(B) INCIDENTALS	250.00
ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS	150.00
CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM	2000.00
(C) TRUCKS	625.00
PASTOR'S SALARY	2700.00

TOTAL \$6650.00

(A)—We send the following Periodicals Into Every Home:

BAPTIST RECORD — HOME MISSIONS — COMMISSION.

(B)—Incidentals include such items as: MINISTER'S RETIREMENT CHURCH

DUES — BUTANE GAS — STUDY COURSE BOOKS — V. B. S. SUP-

PLIES — SUPPLIES FROM BOOK STORE — POSTAGE, ETC.

(C)—We do not own our own trucks, but this item covers what we pay to bus owners for bringing our people to the services.

NOTE: In addition to the above, we observe the three W. M. U. weeks of prayer and our entire Church participates in the offerings over and above the above items.

Our Orphanage Collection is also in addition to the above.

Other specials are presented as the need arises and supported by special offerings.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD

STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT

D. A. McCALL, Executive Secretary & Treasurer
Baptist Building Jackson, Mississippi

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST—YOUR SECRETARY SAYS:

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criticism, most of it comes from an inferiority complex. Preachers who do not have 'it' are a little jealous of those who do."

I am happy to compile this report directly from the answers returned to this office from the questionnaire sent to several hundred people over the state, and I am happy to say that there was not a single word of destructive criticism in any of the answers given. Those of us here in the office appreciate that spirit on the part of Mississippi Baptists as we have heard Dr. McCall say many times "you are a great people."

ERNESTINE COOPER, Office Secretary.



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary

Box 530 - - - Phone 2-1600 - - - Jackson

DAUNIE JEAN SMITH, Office Secretary

POTPOURRI

Aelen Glidewell is the new BSU President at E. Miss. Jr. Faculty Advisers are Miss Evelyn Allen and Prof. H. H. Daws; local pastor is Bro. C. O. Daniels, and Jeryl Taylor, Recording Sec'y sent the list. Pray for our Scooba friends . . . Richard A. Rollins writes from Clarksdale: "I . . . enjoyed the Convention thoroughly . . ." and joins several who wouldn't let us pay their expenses. We appreciate this, don't we? . . . Those interested in being on the R'erest staff next summer may write Mr. Robert Guy, Ridgecrest, N. C., anytime for the necessary info., the sooner the better . . . "Let us remember the words of the Lord Jesus when He said, 'It is more blessed to give than it is to receive.'" . . . Next Sunday night the BSU is to have charge of the service at the Raymond Baptist Church . . . E. N. Elsey, Miss. College, writes of the Convention: "I thought every bit of the program was super. If I can help you again, please feel free to call on the Chorale Choir." . . . Miss. State BSUs recently gave our Convention program in miniature up at Starkville under the title of the Convention theme: "The Great Difference." Madge Sterling, of First Church, Tylertown, asks for Student Night at Christmas material and says that her church has about 30 students in 13 different college, many of whom they will use in this Christmas program . . . Missouri Baptists have approved plans for building a \$100,000 Student Center at the University of Missouri . . . Bill Thames is the new BSU President at Miss. State, succeeding Carl Nowell who did a com-

mendable job . . . Mary Tom Berry, Jones Jr. Secretary, recently taught Methods to a group composed of Belhaven, Millsaps, and Hinds Jr. students . . . BSUs at Miss. Southern hold a weekly service at the county jail . . . Recent visitors at Blue Mt. were Mrs. Webb Overstreet, Jackson, who taught a Mission Study Course, and Messrs. W. R. Roberts and Geo. Schroeder, of the Brotherhood . . . Miss. College's Volunteer Mission Band make regular visits to the Old Men's and Old Ladies' Homes and the city and county jails . . . Jones Jr. has a dramatic group known as Baptist Players . . . "One of the great experiences of my college days will always be the week-end I spent at the Mississippi BSU Convention," writes Web Carroll, Tenn. BSU President . . . D. J. Evans, of Atlanta, writes: "To me it was a great inspiration to meet that fine body of students that made your Convention such a fine success." Anticipating his being a member of the Miss. College Focus Week Team, Dec. 7-12, Bro Evans writes: "May it be a week of high purpose and vital dedication for all." Orba Lee Malone, Student Sec'y at MC, says the team, besides Bro. Evans, will be Bob Denny, Jenny Lind Gatlin, Wm. Hall Preston, from Nashville; John E. Barnes, Hattiesburg; Mrs. Carl Townsend, Yazoo City; Lowrey Eastland, New Orleans; Dr. S. H. Frazier, Harrisburg, Ill.; Dr. Woodson Armes, Waco, Tex.; Dr. John Caylor, Atlanta; Marjorie Moore, Richmond, Va.; Hines Sims, Nashville; Jack Noffsinger, Univ. of Richmond, (Va.), and Carl Giers, Birmingham . . .

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS PLAN BILLBOARD ADVERTISING

MEMPHIS, Tenn. —(RNS)— Seventeen large billboards strategically located in Memphis and Shelby County will proclaim gospel messages in 1948.

The billboards have been contracted for by the Shelby County Baptist Brotherhood in an experiment which, if successful, will signal such advertising throughout the 20-state territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, according to plans laid by Lawson H. Cooke, executive secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South.

Displays on the 17 Shelby County billboards will be changed monthly to give an aggregate of 204 presentations during the calendar year. Details are in the hands of an advertising agency, and displays will be of standard billboard size and done in expert advertising style, Cooke said.

The January display, now being prepared, will carry the message: "During 1948, Give God a Chance."

Hundreds of copy-cards, carrying the same design and message as the billboards, will be used in stores, bus stations, railroad stations and everywhere else where permission can be secured for their display.

Cooke said church and denominational publicity is one of the four main planks of the Southwide Brotherhood's 1948 program. The Shelby County group has appropriated \$8,000 for their 1948 projects.

Church Sets Up Worry Clinic

HIGH POINT, N. C. —(RNS)— A "Worry Clinic" for people who are beset by personal troubles has been set up at First Methodist church here with the pastor, the Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, serving as conductor. He is assisted by an advisory committee composed of laymen and doctors.

"I am convinced that worry is a disease of the spirit and that many people in our city are unhappy simply because they are not mastering their worries," Mr. Weldon said. "We shall refer personality problems which are in need of psychiatric services or other professional attention to such specialists. However, it is commonly agreed today that many of the ills possessed by moderns can be remedied through the simple processes of pastoral psychology."

"All interviews will be kept in strict confidence. No charges will be made, and any person may call for an appointment. Such appointments will be made for Tuesday afternoons, but there will be a limited number available on other days."

Mr. Weldon said he will follow the cardinal principles of Christian psychology, utilizing the essential elements of the Christian faith. The clinic has been approved by the church board.

BODY OF G. C. HODGE, JR., LAID TO REST AT BILOXI

Memorial services were held for 1st, Lt. G. C. Hodge, Jr., son of Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Hodge of Biloxi, on November 2 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Lt. Hodge, whose brilliant high school and college record was climaxed by his distinguished career in the defense of his country, lost his life at Lake Hebron, Arctic Canada in January 1943. He was an honor graduate of Biloxi High School. At Mississippi College he graduated with distinction, and served as fellow in the physics department. He was a talented musician and a member of the band.

Rev. J. M. Metts of Winona and Chaplain N. B. Saucier were Ministers in charge. Miss Billie Myers of Jackson was soloist and Mrs. L. L. Lockett was pianist in the memorial service. Deacons of the Biloxi church served as honorary pall bearers. The Royal Ambassadors acted as guards.

We reproduce below the story of the young officer's steadfast devotion to duty to the last:

G. C. Hodge, Jr., left the States to fly the North Atlantic on October 9, 1942. They spent two weeks in Labrador getting used to the cold, then on to Greenland, where they were weather-bound for 51 days. On December 8, an attempt was made to reach Iceland, but weather condition forced them back. On Dec. 10, they were alerted early for the return trip to the States and across via Brazil, the southern route. Leaving Onoto, Greenland, for Gose Bay, Labrador, a hurricane was encountered in which the planes lost track of each other. Lt. Hodge, flight commander, called his group to return to Greenland. They heard no more from him and when he was unreported, presumed he had gone into the sea. Several search planes were sent out.

In April, 1943, an Eskimo, following a walrus around an inlet, sighted the plane's wing tip protruding from the snow which had covered the plane. Seeing he could do nothing, he notified Goose Bay officials.

In Hawaii, in 1945, his brother, Lt. Mill Hodge, then assistant operations officer at Hickam Field, met the officer who was in charge of bringing out the bodies by dog team. From him he learned the contents of C. C.'s diary in which he wrote daily until too weak to write. His last entry was on January 23, "Only two of us left, we may be able to stay a day or two longer."

G. C. Jr. pulled out of the dive just above water, found a hole in the clouds after a long search and headed for Greenland, but finding they had insufficient fuel to return to Greenland, made for the nearest land, Labrador. Navigational error and faulty radio equipment resulted in their becoming lost. The Goose Bay signals failed, the set gone dead. G. C. attempted to use the radio compass and the liaison set, but failed to receive any signal from the Goose Bay range. Reaching the eastern coast of Labrador, they decided they were south of the course and turned north along the coast line, and in a short time realized they were north of their course and turned and flew south, but had to look for a place to land as their fuel supply was exhausted. They found a place suitable for landing, 20 miles north of Lake Hebron, an Eskimo village. They went in for landing with the wheels up. The bomb bay was ripped open and one propeller tip went through the

Half Of Texans Are Baptists

AMARILLO, Tex. —(RNS)— One half of all the church people in Texas are Baptists, the Rev. J. Howard Williams, state executive secretary, told the 62nd annual session of the Texas Baptist General Convention here.

He said membership in the 3,300 churches of the Convention was above the 1,000,000 mark, and these, added to Baptists "of all other descriptions," indicated that 50 per cent of the state's church people are Baptists.

A report submitted to the meeting said the Texas Baptist Foundation, established 16 years ago, has made \$1,000 for every dollar it has lost.

The Rev. Vernon Yearby of Midland, Foundation chairman, placed the group's assets at \$14,000,000 with an additional \$1,250,000 in sight.

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Smyrna Calls Pastor

Smyrna Baptist church near Hazlehurst has called Rev. James B. Carpenter as pastor to succeed Rev. W. P. Sandifer who recently resigned. When the work was assumed by Rev. Sandifer, five years ago, the church had fourth time preaching and no Sunday school or other organizations. He left a good Sunday school, Training Union and W.M.U., and half time services. Gifts increased many times above what they were five years ago.

Smyrna's new pastor is a student at Mississippi College at this time. He is married and has one child, a daughter ten years of age. They reside in Clinton.

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A PROTESTANT PRIMER by Clarence Seidenspinner, Pastor, First Methodist Church, Racine, Wisconsin, is published by Tidings, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville 4, Tennessee. Composed of three chapters, Our History, Our Faith and Worship, Our Church Government and an Epilogue, The Fruits of Protestantism, the book is written for the layman who may find it difficult to explain the nature of his religion and the character of the church to which he belongs. In a brief, but adequate interpretation of the Christian religion and the nature of the Protestant Christian Church. The little book is not only an explanation of the Protestant Christian position, but also give its origin and emergence out of Catholic Christianity, its body of religious belief and the organization of its church life. Order from the publishers for 25c each or \$3.00 a dozen.

fuselage just back of the pilot, but no injuries. They had left at 1275 GMT and crashed at 1155, about 200 miles from Goose Bay. After a few days three member of the crew started out toward Goose Bay and were never heard from again. The four remaining crew members apparently died of exposure and exhaustion.

When found each of the four men had a Bible over his heart. G. C., presumably the last to die, buttoned the Bible over his heart. Thus they left their dying testimony to their unwavering faith in the love and eternal purpose of God. G. C. had from a child been taught to believe what every child of God should believe: "We know that all things work together for good and to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose," Romans 8:28.

II. Corinthians 4:8-18.

Survivors are his parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Hodge; one sister, Alma; a brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hodge.

Scene From Neshoba CountyWide Sunday School Banquet



GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

NESHOPA SUNDAY SCHOOL BANQUET

Each year Associational Missionary Kenneth G. Hall, promotes a Sunday School Course Banquet. Attendance is limited to the people who have taken a study Course during the past 12 months. The 1947 banquet was held on November 13 with an attendance of more than 200 and many requests for tickets had to be declined because of lack of space.

I was honored to be the speaker for the occasion and by request talked about my experience in Europe during the past summer. Other Associational Missionaries would do well to imitate Missionary Hall's plans.

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Neshoba County Record readers are now listed as follows: Antioch 1, Bethesda 16, Black Jack 30, Bluff Springs 1, Coldwater 48, County Line 2, Cross Roads 4, Deemer 5, Dixon 27, Emmanuel 19, Good Hope 1, Hope 35, Laurel Hill 11, Linwood 12, McDonald 3, Neshoba 54, New Harmony 30, New Hope 48, Oak Grove 19, Pearl Valley 1, Philadelphia First 310, Sardis 29, Spring Creek 27, High Hill 28.

AUBURN IS NUMBER 886

A recent addition to the list of EVERY FAMILY plan churches of the Baptist Record is Auburn Church in Lee County. Dr. H. R. Holcomb is pastor. Jack Christian sent in a list of 56 names thus helping the Baptist Record reach the 59,000 mark in circulation. Baptist Record readers in Lee County are now listed as follows: Auburn 56, Belden 2, Bissell 16, Center Hill 3, Euclatuba 38, Guntown 14, Harrisburg 187, Lime Stone 1, Macedonia 1, Nettleton 48, Plantersville 69, Pleasant Hill 10, Princeville 32, Saltillo 41, Sannon 44, Sherman 70, Tupelo First 323, Tupelo Calvary 249, Tupelo East 33, Verona 76.

Rome or Russia, Communism or Catholicism—Which?

By James A. Bryant, Pricedale, Miss.

Who wants to fight Russia, anyhow? The Roman hierarchy of course. Before the last shot was fired in Germany the Romanist chaplains in the U. S. Army were spreading among the enlisted men the desire and need for going right on after the Russians as soon as Germany was conquered. A persistent effort was made to stir up hatred of Russia while our troops were in Germany.

Red Russia uses the methods of Rome to accomplish her aims. She has found out by long experience that the way to stop Rome is to feed her with some of her own medicine—ie: fear, force, intimidation and torture. The Eastern Orthodox Catholic Church in Russia tried to take over the government. New Testament methods for the promotion of the Gospel were thrown into the discard. Red Russia ruthlessly subjugated the Catholic church and all other forms of religion within her borders.

The Communists from Moscow are now promoting indirectly the movement of the Zionist Jews in their desperate efforts to establish a Jewish state in Palestine. This, because the Arabs and the 400,000,000 Moslems will eventually use force rather than see an independent Jewish state set up in the very center of the Arab world.

The present stir against Communists in the U. S. A. is agitated and sustained in large part by the Romanists. (The F.B.I. already knows all the Communists here and will act in due time.) They are focusing the attention of our people on communists, so that a dense smoke screen can be raised to cover the nefarious actions and efforts of Rome to capture the remaining strategic posts within the U. S. Government. The purpose is to make the Democratic Party a Romanist controlled party. Rome, as always, wants to be allied with the state and get the authority of the state to promote Romanism. If she cannot control the state she wants to control the wealth, or the military—so as to use these powers to make converts to Romanism. Don't let anybody tell you that it is "either or" in the present conflict between Rome and Russia. One is as dangerous to a Christian Democracy as the other. Ignorance, filth, superstition, fear, and disintegration will accompany both. Notice the points of similarity between Romanism and Communism:

Rome is patient, never changes; the same is true of Red Russia. Rome seeks union with the state, seeks to consolidate the powers of the state, wealth, schools, and military (under her domination); Red-Russia-the Soviet (Committee) seeks to consolidate all religion, wealth, schools, and the military (under her domination).

Rome is a totalitarian state or religion; Communism is a totalitarian religion of state. Rome is intolerant—must have the last word; Communism is the same. Rome is ruthless—Communism ditto. Ro-

manism thrives where there is ignorance, confusion, poverty, ditto Communism.

Individual liberty, the dignity of personality will not survive under Rome or Communism. The present ideological conflict is not simply a skirmish; it is the battle of the ages. We are fighting against spiritual wickedness in high places. We seem to be using manuscripts, broomsticks and fiddlesticks as weapons. The weapons of our warfare must not be carnal. We must assert the authority of Christ. He is the only One who has all authority, wisdom, righteousness and power. We do not need the patronage of a political party nor the protection of a military machine. Let us go in the power of the Spirit and proclaim the Gospel and push the claims of Christ. He must reign until He has put down all authority and power.

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P. D. Lott, Jr., program vice-president of the Simpson County Brotherhood Association, advises that their next meeting will be Tuesday night, December 9, at New Hope Church. The meeting begins at 7 o'clock with meal and fellowship, and the program is on Evangelism, one of the majors in Brotherhood work for 1948. Rev. J. B. Smith, the new pastor at Magee, is to bring the closing message on the subject "Their Cry—We Would See Jesus." Two hundred fifty men are expected.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

November 23 1947

	S.S. B.T.U.	
Hattiesburg, Fifth Ave.	455	156
Laurel, First	534	167
West Laurel	416	124
Sardis	175	52
Jackson, Parkway	243	
Jackson, Calvary	1,254	324
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone St. Mission	1,308	385
Jackson, Van Winkle	278	165
Midway, Hinds County	100	71
Paul Truitt, Rankin County	62	39
Jackson, First	1,152	429
Jackson, Davis Memorial ..	264	84
Jackson, Southside	119	99
Byram	100	87
Crystal Springs	629	110
New Albany, First	510	196
New Albany, First, including		
Northside Mission	27	
Ellison Ridge,		
Winston County	24	
Chalysbeate	69	45
Pleasant Valley,		
Simpson County	72	
Friendship Pike County ..	151	102
Pascagoula, First	591	188
Hattiesburg, Main Street ..	681	249
Zion, Pontotoc County	77	55
Center, Union County	134	46
Winona, First	221	110
Myrick, Jones County	115	118
Brookhaven, First	793	162
New Zion, Copiah County ..	56	51
Paynes	115	53
Lucedale	235	119
Oloh, Marion County	85	84
Carson	113	108
Louisville, First	367	129
Booneville	252	106
Columbus, First	682	222
East McComb	426	231
Batesville, First	198	57
Mt. Vernon, Leflore County	40	40
November 23		
Oloh, Marion County	93	91
South Laurel	70	45
Soso	97	69
Sardis	160	55
Lucedale	228	113

—BR—
Dr. B. C. Land, Mississippian, and Director of Stewardship Promotion, The Executive Board of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, has prepared a book "Baptists At Work in Alabama." Among the 12 chapters are: One Hundred and Twenty-Five Years of Baptist Work in Alabama; Alabama Baptist Organized for Work, Winning the Lost, Teaching the Bible, Enlisting, and Facing the Future.

A Gift that Keeps On Giving

Christmas is coming! Birthdays, wedding anniversaries, other special days are always coming. Young people going away to school are to be remembered with a reassuring gift from loved ones back home, that will turn their hearts not only toward you but toward God. Dear ones—a mother or father or a friend, grown old—now shut in from the activities of life, must be remembered in a way that will bless them through the years.

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A WEEK OF BIBLE STUDY IN JANUARY

Realizing the need of more Bible study on the part of our church people, our leaders have set the week of January 5-9, 1948, as a week of Bible study. Many practical suggestions for the promotion of this week are found in the December issue of the Sunday School Builder. Every pastor, Sunday school superintendent and leader will want to study these helpful articles in planning for this great week.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

"Expect Great Things from God, Attempt Great Things for God."

I. Our Bible Teaching Program.

1. A session of the Sunday school each Sunday.
2. A Vacation Bible school each year and one or more Mission Vacation Bible schools.
3. A week of Bible Study the first full week in January of each year.
4. Daily Bible reading and family

devotionals in each home.

5. A branch Sunday school maintained in every unchurched community.

II. Our Bible Objectives.

1. Enroll every church member and every other available individual in all phases of the Bible teaching program.
2. Win every enrolled person to Christ.
3. Help every Christian to grow in grace and in the knowledge of Christ.
4. Encourage every Christian to become a useful church member and Christian citizen.

III. Our Means of Achievement.

1. Keep on looking for prospects.
2. Keep on starting classes, departments, new Sunday schools, Vacation Bible schools, and family altars.
3. Keep on providing more space.
4. Keep on training workers.
5. Keep on going out after people.

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(Continued from Last Week)

A spiritual awakening is the crying need of this hour. It is "Christ or chaos, the Kingdom of God or revolution." The blessings of God will come upon us if, as, and when GOD'S PEOPLE do these four things: "HUMBLE THEMSELVES" - humility. Augustine was once asked to name the three vital principles of Christianity. His reply was, "First humility, second humility, third humility." "Pray", "SEEK MY FACE", this means to seek God's favor. "TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS". When Dr. L. R. Scarbrough was elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention, on of his first statements was, "We must unload the cargo of sin." Jesus came to set up and maintain a fight against sin. There can be no perpetual peace on this earth so long as evil goes unchecked.

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: But sin is a reproach to any people." "Fools make a mock at sin."

In other days Christians sacrificed to worship in the churches. The early preachers denounced sin, drunkenness, adultery, gambling, etc. The churches did not tolerate these glaring sins. Today sin of every description is found in our churches among many of our

leaders. The Lord's day was a holy day; now it is becoming a holiday. Some members even engage in the sale of alcoholic beverages. This business is against everything the church stands for. What right has a church to tolerate such among its members. By what authority can preachers and leaders be silent. These who engage in the sale of beverage alcohol are traffickers in the blood of their fellowmen. "For the time is come that judgement must begin at the house of the Lord." I Peter 4:17.

CITIZENS LEAGUE SUCCEEDS IN CLOSING MERIDIAN NIGHTCLUB

Meridian, Nov. 21 — Injunction actions brought last July by the Christian citizens council against ten alleged liquor retailers in Lauderdale county have finally resulted in the settlement of the case.

E. C. Neely, Jr., and R. D. Blythe made defendants as operators of the Casino club south of Meridian on Highway 45 have tentatively agreed to the following settlement disposition:

The Casino club will be closed for any and all types of business for one year.

The defendants will pay a fine of \$1,000, half of which will go to Lauderdale county and the remainder to the state. — The Clarion-Ledger.

1340 CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN

TOKYO —(RNS)— There were 1,340 Protestant and Roman Catholic missionaries in Japan as of October 30, 1947; it was announced here. Of this total Catholic missionaries number 1,120.

A total of 365 Catholic and Protestant workers currently assigned here, 208 have arrived in the past two years.

Yalobusha County Minutes have been received by the Record office. Compiled by clerk T. T. Gooch, the reports show for the 21 churches reporting 86 baptisms, 58 additions by letter, and a total membership of 3,534. Sunday School enrollment is 1,073, Training Union enrollment 431, W.M.U. 204 in 11 organizations, gifts for local work \$22,411, gifts for all missions, education and orphanages \$23,254. Kermit R. Cofer is moderator.

Gulfport Votes To Build



On Sunday, November 16, at the morning worship hour the First Church, Gulfport, voted unanimously to erect a new auditorium with a full basement under it. A building committee had been studying the needs of the church and community for the past several months and brought a report recommending the erection of the new auditorium as the first unit of a program that will eventually give the church a complete new building. For the present the old building will be used for Sunday School and other organizations, but it is hoped that within a few years it can be torn down and a modern educational plant erected in its place.

The new auditorium will be of Georgian Architecture and will face the Gulf of Mexico. It will have a seating

capacity of more than 1,100 and with the use of the present structure will provide for a Sunday School of about the same number. It is estimated that the building will cost about \$160,000.

A large building committee has been appointed and is already at work. The first step of the program is a finance drive which will be launched soon, it is hoped that actual construction of the new building can begin in the Spring of 1948.

Rev. Joe T. Odle, pastor of the church says, "I have never seen a finer spirit of co-operation and enthusiasm than is being manifest by our people at this hour. Like the people of Nehemiah's day, they are saying 'The God of heaven He will prosper us; therefore we His children will arise and build.'"

RECORDS ARE BROKEN AT POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE

November 9, 1947, was a record breaking day at Poplar Spring Drive Baptist Church, Meridian according to Pastor W. B. Abel. There were 316 in Sunday School, 138 in Training Union and both church services were filled to overflowing. Revival services were held each day from Nov. 3-12th. Rev. M. D. Morton, pastor First Church, Crystal Springs preached, and Billy Hilburn, First Church, Meridian led the singing. There were nine additions.

We are fortunate in having a church bus, which makes a route in the residential section to bring those who wished to attend the services. The church has recently completed a new \$25,000 educational building.

Hodge Issues Statement About Convention Program

Since the State Convention was thrown into such confusion on Tuesday night, November 17, because of the failure of the two featured speakers to appear, it seems but fair to let the members of the Convention know why they did not fill their engagements.

Dr. R. Paul Caudill, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Memphis, was to come. He did wire in time for his left Memphis by plane for Jackson in time to be present, but because of the low ceiling his plane was not permitted to land in Jackson on that flight, and so carried him on to New Orleans. He wired to us, but his mes-

River Avenue Church Opens European Clothing Campaign

The River Avenue church, Hattiesburg, Rev. Garland McInnis, pastor began a campaign on November 29 for the purpose of gathering clothing to be sent to the destitute in Europe, as its part in the Baptist World Alliance drive. The campaign will last through December 10.

Kaiser Runnels, superintendent of Sunday school at the church, has agreed to let all clothing be carried to his store, the Modern Appliance Co., located at 1011 River ave., and he will pack the goods and pay the freight to the Southern Baptist Relief center in New Orleans, according to Reverend McInnis. From the relief center in New Orleans, the clothing will be sent to a designated place in Europe.

sage did not arrive until after the Convention had adjourned.

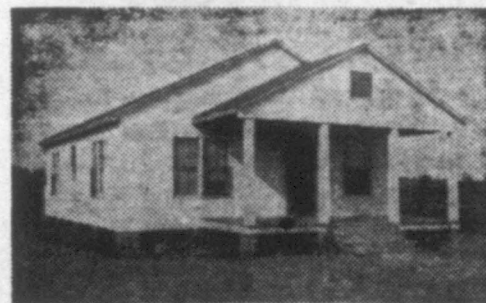
Dr. Sadler, Secretary to Africa, Europe and the Near East was to speak on Foreign Missions, but because of unfavorable weather conditions his plane was grounded and he could not come. He did wire in time for his message to reach us before time for him to speak.

Both of these men have expressed their regrets at not being able to meet their appointments. We trust that no one will feel that their failure to appear on the program was due to their indifference or to the neglect on the part of any member of the program committee. — G. C. Hodge, Chairman Program Committee.

West End Church Reports Progress



GROUND BREAKING



PASTOR'S HOME



YOUTH COMMITTEE

At left, above is shown a picture of the ground-breaking at West Point of the West End Pastor's home. Dr. J. C. Taylor holds the shovel. A. L. Weaver, chairman of the deacons, and other men of the West End church look on.

Left, below, is shown a picture of the pastor's home, completed for occupancy in May 1947.

On the right, above, are seen, left to right, Johnny Pressley, June Israel and Odett Daughtery, trio of a committee composed of the following others: Gene Simmons, Robert Pressley and Mary Jim Hawkins, who gathered clothing for overseas relief. They are shown with the packages ready for shipping.

Pastor W. F. Bisbee and the people are rejoicing over the progress of the work, and plan for enlarged service in the days ahead.

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Unique Plan Used

Charles L. Phipps, pastor of the Richland Baptist Church, Rankin County, is carrying on a unique ministry to the sick and shut-ins that is believed to be original and one that is proving very helpful to those who are ministered to in this way.

Through the use of a Majestic wire recorder, one complete service is recorded each Sunday. Then in the course of the pastor's visitation during the week he takes the recorder into a shut-in's home and plays the recording of the service. In this way those who are not privileged to attend the services at the church have the opportunity of worshiping in this novel way with their brothers and sisters in Christ. The feeling is that one is hearing the service broadcast over the radio. Each time this ministry has been utilized the Holy Spirit has seemed to hover near and minister to those who listen, it is reported.

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WADE REPORTS PROGRESS

Wade Baptist church in Jackson county is enjoying good progress under Pastor W. C. Wyatt of Biloxi. The Sunday school enrollment has reached 180. The Training Union under Prof. A. E. Bradley, with an enrollment of 92 has an average attendance of 80. The Woman's Missionary Society has 12 enrolled, and the Brotherhood has 25. The men meet each first Friday night in the month.

There have been 21 additions to the church, 11 of these being by baptism. Gifts for outside causes amounted to \$350.38 and local expenditures totalled \$3195 for the year. Full time services are maintained, including weekly prayer meetings.

Plans are under way for the completion of a modern new church building of brick, which will have ample room for classes, as well as a nursery, a kitchen and rest rooms. Efforts are being made to finish this by the first of the year, and according to Church Clerk R. C. Faggard, they will appreciate any part friends of the church may have in helping in the finances to complete the work.

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An attic fan is to be installed in the Toccopola church. This project has been made possible through the generosity of Mr. O. C. Smith of Jackson. Mr. Smith once lived in the Toccopola community. R. L. Ray, Jr., Pastor.

Wm. Broadus Ordained

William Truett Broadus, son of Rev. and Mrs. John Q. Broadus of Escatawpa, Miss., was ordained to the gospel ministry on October 12 by the Escatawpa church in Jackson county. Rev. D. M. Campbell is pastor of this congregation.

The newly ordained minister is a student at Clarke Memorial College in Newton. He has recently been called as pastor of the Parker Baptist church in Calhoun county, for half time work.

Mrs. Broadus is the former Miss Irma Jewel Newman. They have one son, a baby boy, James Truett, who was born on August 8, 1947.

The good wishes of the people accompany the young couple as they begin their ministry in the gospel.

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Bethesda Ordains Deacons

On November 23 the Bethesda Baptist church in Okitibbeha county ordained four new deacons at an afternoon service. These were Hillman Gentry, M. T. Harvey, Jr., Bud Gray and Glen Foster. The examining council included Dr. W. E. Greene, president of Clarke College at Newton, Dr. J. D. Ray of Starkville and Brooksville. Dr. Ray gave the sermon, Dr. Green made the charge, Rev. Douglas led in the prayer. After the laying on of hands, the closing prayer was given by Mr. Gentry.

The occasion was a happy one, in which all day services with dinner on the ground had called forth a large crowd. Dr. Greene brought an inspiring message in the morning service. Rev. John E. Barrow is pastor of this progressive church.

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Rev. Bruce H. Price has resigned the pastorate of Beech Street Church, Texarkana, Ark., and accepted a call to First Church, Newport News, Va.

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"Geared to the Times but Anchored to the Rock"

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. —(RNS)— The Seventh-day Adventist radio program, "Voice of Prophecy," is now being broadcast over 500 stations in North America each week, according to Milton Carlson of Los Angeles, vice president of the Western Advertising Agency. Carlson said here the program reached an estimated 26 million families in the United

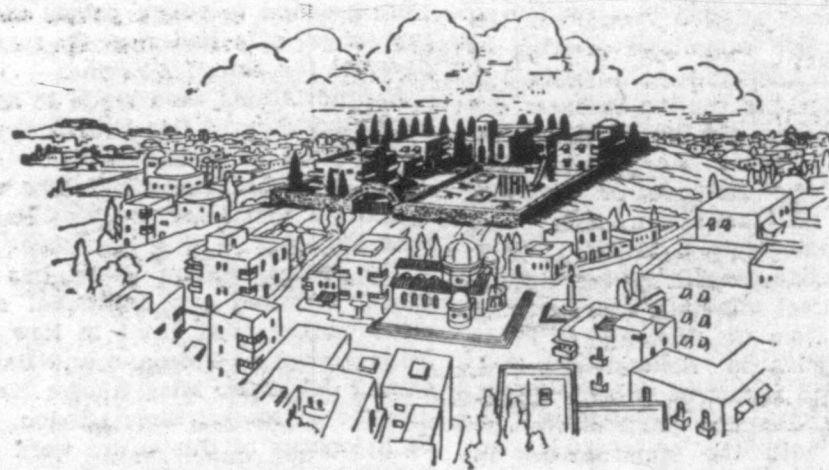
States and Canada.

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Robert C. Cannon, pastor of the Merton Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis, conducted revival services in Charleston, West Virginia recently, where he had formerly served as pastor, which resulted in a large number of additions to the church.

Southern Baptists Can Make This Dream Come True!

A Baptist Home at Nazareth for Jewish and Arab Waifs



Abandoned babies left in open fields to die of exposure is one of the tragedies of Palestine. The missionaries cannot ignore them. One with a year-old baby of her own took in two foundlings. Soon she had nine, and another missionary came in to help. They are rearing Jewish and Arab children in a Christian home with meager equipment but a great deal of love. It is pure evangelism in the far-from-Holy Land. Its ministry could be increased a hundred-fold.

Missions volunteers now in training in the States to serve in such an orphanage expect to receive appointment when they are ready.

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DISTRICT FOUR CONFERENCE

The above is a picture of the men of District Four in their conference at Calvary Church, Tupelo, on November 4. The following men were elected officers: D. T. Bumpus, Corinth, president; J. W. Gray Pontotoc, vice-president; and H. E. Ray, Jr., secretary-treasurer. The Pastors' Advisory Committee is composed of Rev. D. L. Hill, Corinth; Rev. James C. Monroe, Pontotoc; and Rev. S. E. Byler of Okolona.

ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS TO BE HELD

Below are listed the associations and the dates on which they will meet for the last quarter meeting. The program on evangelism will be used in practically every association. The main message is entitled "Their Cry - We

Would See Jesus."

December 4 - Gulf Coast.
December 8 - Hinds - Warren at Bowmar Avenue.
December 9 - Simpson at New Hope.
December 12 - Pike.
December 15 - Madison at Center Terrace.
December 16 - Lincoln at Pearlhaven.
December 18 - Leake at Lena.
December 19 - Newton at Decatur.
When this issue of the RECORD comes off the press on December 3 the following associations will have met; Pearl River, November 3; Columbus, November 24; Leflore, November 24; Walthall, November 25; Lauderdale, December 1; and Jones, December 2.

HOME MISSIONS IN THE CANAL ZONE

By John Caylor

Although the November meeting of the Home Mission Board was the last executive committee meeting of the year, a forward note was sounded. End-of-the-year routine business did not overshadow the call of the fields. Special attention was given to the work on the Isthmus of Panama, which is the farthest mission point of the Home Mission Board.

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of direct missions, who had just returned from an itinerary of home mission fields in Central America, gave a vivid report of mission activities there. He was particularly encouraged with the opportunities in the Spanish phase of the work. He spoke commendatory words concerning the pioneer mission work of Paul C. Bell in that area during the difficult war years.

The bulk of Dr. Carpenter's report dealt with the re-organization and enlargement of the work in Panama, Costa Rica, and the Canal Zone.

The Board appointed Rev. and Mrs. Paul C. Bell as general missionaries to the Spanish-speaking people in the republic of Panama. Rev. and Mrs. Fred L. Jones were appointed as general missionaries to the West Indians in the Canal Zone. Another missionary couple is to be appointed to the Spanish-speaking work in Costa Rica.

Rev. Napolis Leon, a graduate of our seminary in Havana, Cuba, was appointed to the field at Chorrerra, Panama.

Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Gamez are opening a mission work at Las Tablas, Panama.

Dr. Carpenter reported an immediate need of at least six missionary couples in the republic of Panama as groups of believers are coming to our missionary, Rev. Paul Bell, pleading for help in the organization of

churches.

In the Spanish-American field in the States a number of scholarships were granted to young people entering school who had recently surrendered to the call of missions.

Appropriations were made to assist in the building of five church houses in the Mexican work.

Rev. and Mrs. James E. Godsoe were appointed to mission work at Raton, New Mexico.

The Home Mission Board has recently acquired two additional missions on the river front in New Orleans known as Toledano and Bawen Center Missions. Miss Gladys Keith, director of Rachel Sims Mission, will be in charge of this entire work and it will be known as Riber Front Missions.

The annual meeting of the Home Mission Board will be held in Atlanta, December 2 - 3. At that time the twenty-five state members will join the eighteen local members in planning for the Board's activities in 1948.

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Murphy Creek Grows

The Murphy Creek Baptist church during the past five weeks has had six additions, one being for baptism. Pastor G. L. Taylor is rejoicing over the good progress made in the work. A new Brotherhood was started on November 16. Beginning with the next quarter, an Extension department and Cradle Roll department will be launched in the Sunday school, with a nursery planned in the near future.

Officers in the new Brotherhood are: Claude E. Ming, president; J. C. Chappell, Jr., activities vice president; Earl Winstead, program vice president; Paul Blanton, membership vice president, and A. E. Barnhill, secretary-treasurer. Great things are expected by Pastor Taylor from this good group.

--Woman's Missionary Union--

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y—Miss Nell Taylor

CHRISTMAS PLAYS AND PAGEANTS

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The Gift Magnificent (Reading and Carols, pantomime if desired) 35c. Reader and choir, other characters as needed for pantomime; time about 45 minutes.

Crown Him (Pageant), 10c. 16 young people and group of children; Nativity tableau part of play; unseen choir or chorus; time about 30 minutes.

The Manger (Play in five scenes; excellent for evening service), 15c. 12 characters, men and women; time about 45 minutes.

The Shepherd's Story (Pageant; narrative, music and pantomime), 10c. Cast may vary in number, about 20 being the minimum; time about 35 minutes.

Quest of the Magi (Simple play based on Nativity story), 5c. Int. R. A. and G. A. or Y.W.A.; 12 or more; time 20 minutes.

A Dramatic Pageant of the Birth of Christ, 15c. 24 adults or young people, a group of children; time about 30 minutes.

A Real Christmas Party (Play), 10c. "Guests" from other nations receive the best gift; cast from Y.W.A., G. A., R. A. and Sunbeam Band, at least 12 girls, 10 boys; time about 25 minutes.

When the Christmas Star Shone (Pageant), 5c. Junior R. A. and G. A., some younger children-few speaking parts; time about 30 minutes.

Biblical Christmas Plays for Children (for Sunbeams and Juniors), 40c. Five simple plays, two with chorus to sing carols; casts vary from four to eight characters; time for each play 20 minutes or less.

The Christmas Fire, (Play in two acts), 25c. Faithfulness in service brings blessing; 4 boys, 3 girls; time about 30 minutes.

The Lights of Christmas (Music; Reading; Tableaux), 10c. About 20 young people and adults necessary but larger number would increase effectiveness; time about 30 minutes.

Christmas Selections (Varied Material), 35c. Pantomimes; Tableaux; Plays; Story; Recitations; Candle Service.

White Gifts for the King (A "White Christmas" service), 10c. Features "The Legend of Cathay" and familiar carols; all ages; time 45 minutes to one hour.

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bill for all three. That little sum should fill you with glee. Just drop the three dollars at 1111 Comer Building, Birmingham 3, Ala., and leave our names. We'll thank you all the whole year through.

(Signed)

GLADYS ANN

Missionary Edwin B. Dozier, en route home for a rest, informs the Relief Committee that Christmas gift packages to the twelve Baptist missionaries now in Southern Japan will enable them to minister vitally this winter to those in need in their communities. Use any one of the following addresses:

Dr. and Mrs. W. Maxfield Garrott, Seinan Gakuin, Nishijin Machi, Fukuoka, Japan.

Miss Alma Graves, Seinan Gakuin, Nishijin Machi, Fukuoka, Japan.

The Rev. Tucker N. Callaway, Seinan Gakuin, Nishijin Machi, Fukuoka, Japan.

Miss Cecile Lancaster, Seinan Jo Gakuin, Itozu, Kokura, Japan.

Miss Frances Talley, Seinan Jo Gakuin, Itozu, Kokura, Japan.

The Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Gillespie, Seinan Jo Gakuin, Itozu, Kokura, Japan.

Miss Elizabeth Watkins (contract teacher), Seinan Jo Gakuin, Itozu, Kokura, Japan.

Miss Floryne Miller 415 1-chome, Shimo-Ochiai, Shinjuku-Ku, Tokyo, Japan.

The Rev. and Mrs. Wm. R. Medling, 1029 Seta-machi, Tamagawa, Setagaya-Ku, Tokyo, Japan.

The postal regulations now permit twenty-two pound packages to Japan. Mr. Dozier suggests items of greatest value:

Rice, Oatmeal, Cream of Wheat, Flour, Baking powder, Dried yeast, Any packable drugs, Peanut butter, Jams, Cheese and meat spreads, Milk (tinned or powdered), Salt, Pepper, Curry powder, Tea, powdered coffee, Sugar, Saccharine, Soup mixtures - dry, Vitamin pills, Aspirin, Laxatives (not gum).

For clothing packages, Mr. Dozier recommends:

Woolen garments, Wool yarn, Cotton flannel, Yard goods, Old clothing, Thread, buttons, snaps, etc., Shoes - 5-8 on C-D lasts for adults sizes, Men's shirts, 14-15 collar sizes, Soap - (bars, only; no boxes), Religious literature in Japanese or English (Postal authorities approve now).

Mr. Dozier heartily endorses this means of sending relief to Japan: "Some of the packages will never be acknowledged personally, due to the fact that the return address is often obliterated. An occasional package is pilfered, but experience shows that less than one per cent fail to arrive safely. The packages help a lot. Keep sending them, please."

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Miss Mary Tom Berry, student secretary at Ellisville Junior College, taught a B.S.U. Methods study course at Belhaven College on November 20. In the study course Miss Berry compared the B.S.U. to an automobile. During the intermission cakes and cookies were served to about 40 students from Hinds' Junior College, Millsaps and Belhaven Colleges. —Margaret Shipp, reporter.

ROSEDALE AND GUNNISON CHURCHES MAKE PROGRESS

Mrs. Cassity Gives Organ To Rosedale

The Rosedale Church recently dedicated their new Hammond electric organ. T. H. Webber, Jr., of Memphis, Tenn., played a concert of organ music for the occasion at which time the beauty of the chimes was brought out. The chimes were given by Mrs. W. T. Cassity, of Beulah, in memory of her brother, H. C. Lenoir. Mr. Webber will play a concert of Christmas music at the church December 22nd.

The Gunnison and Rosedale churches sent their pastor, Rev. Christy Schjeveland, to the World Alliance in Copenhagen, and also afforded him the opportunity to visit his relatives in Norway. Since his return he has had the pleasure of speaking to groups of all denominations, including the Jewish synagogue.

The church at Rosedale has just sent five hundred and twenty five pounds of clothing to Europe which included over a hundred pairs of new shoes, contributed by one of the local merchants. Gunnison is sending their collection within the next few days.

Rosedale is putting a new roof on the church and the Woman's Missionary Union has just bought a rug for the pulpit, runners for the aisles and curtains for the platform.

Four additional deacons have just been elected and will be ordained next month. Mr. Jim Ed Bobo was recently ordained a deacon in the Gunnison church.

A check for one hundred dollars has just been sent by Gunnison for food for Europe. Mrs. T. M. Milling has organized a GA which is very active and doing a splendid work.

Rev. and Mrs. Schjeveland are leaving December 1 for a two weeks trip to the Canal Zone where they lived for nearly thirty years before coming to Mississippi. They have received round trip plane tickets from New Orleans so that Rev. Schjeveland can officiate at the wedding ceremony of friends of their former congregation.

HOSPITAL ADDITION DEDICATION

(Continued from Page Five)

Christian work in Mississippi and far beyond our borders.

These are worthy sons of worthy parents!

Having been brought up in the fear and admonition of the Lord, they now rise up to call their parents "Blessed."

"And so, without further word,—in the names of all who have to do with the administration of the Hospital, in the name of Mississippi Baptists, in the name of all who suffer and need the ministry of healing—in the name of Christ, our Lord—we claim the privilege of dedicating the new addition, representing one hundred new beds, eleven air conditioned operating and special treatment rooms, a library, sundry offices, waiting rooms and other facilities, to the honor of the parents of these noble young men.

"The new addition as a unit shall be known as 'The Hederman Addition.'"

And Others

"And now, finally, we know not how to pay proper tribute to that unnumbered group to whom we owe most of all; that group whose gifts ranged in amount from the pennies of the Sunday School children to the substantial gifts of friends of the Hospital in and out of the denomination. From every nook and corner of the state these gifts came from the hearts and purses of good people,—with out which the job could never have been done. They constitute a sacred trust in our hands. To these friends, one and all, we offer our undying gratitude, and to Christ, both theirs and ours, we commit this work and our service in it."

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Duty will be developed by the diligent. It may be difficult to do, or different from what was hoped. But do it; do it without delay; "do it with thy might"; do it till it is done and the Master says, "well done!"

LOREAN CHURCH SCENE OF MOULDER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The family, relatives, churches and friends of Rev. and Mrs. Dan Moulder met at their old home—Lorena Church—on Thanksgiving Day to celebrate his 80th anniversary, 52 years as an active pastor and 60th wedding anniversary. The Rev. Moulder will retire from the pastorate January first.

The program for the day appeared in a recent issue of The Record. At the noon hour dinner was spread on the tables.

Flowers for the occasion were donated by local friends and the White Oak W. M. U. Southland Florist of Hattiesburg donated flowers for the pulpit.

Thirteen ministers were present: W. R. Cooper, Bill Kaiser, W. E. Greene, Hollis Benton, Robert Thompson, Guller Henderson, Ford Parker, Evon Ingram, Byron Mathis, Herbert Cothen, Jr., Marshall Lane, D. W. and C. S. Moulder.

Among the gifts received were a \$100 bill from Lorena Church, \$80 from Beulah Church (this was \$1.00 for each year old). Cash donations amounted to more than \$500 and gifts to more than \$100.

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In his wedding address to Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, the Archbishop of York urged the young couple to "never let a day pass without speaking to God in prayer." "The nearer you keep to Him the nearer you will be to one another," the Archbishop said.

HOLLY SPRINGS CHURCH HAS 107TH ANNIVERSARY

The 107th anniversary of the First Baptist Church of Holly Springs was observed Nov. 30.

A point of emphasis in this year's observance was the building fund for a new church annex, planned for the near future. The goal for cash gifts and offerings on Sunday was \$500.

The sermon for the occasion was preached by the pastor, the Rev. Howard Aultman. Dr. Ira Seale, chairman of the Deacons for more than 25 years, presided. C. D. Collins, for 26 years superintendent of the Sunday School, delivered a brief message. C. J. Jackson, director of the Baptist Training Union presented facts on the Training Department of the Church. O. B. Kerr represented the Brotherhood and Mrs. C. E. Nichols spoke for the W. M. U.

The church was organized in 1840 in a small frame building with less than 10 members. Faithful members worked and kept the church alive with much prayer and sacrifice. There were no services held during the Civil War. After the war, the Rev. E. D. Miller served as pastor without pay.

During 1910 the church enrollment grew to 38. Present membership is 620. In 1910 the entire gifts of members was \$417. This year the total gifts will approximate \$20,000. These figures in part represent the progress of the church in 37 years.

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December 30th is the day. It will be Tuesday, and it will be just a one day meeting beginning in the morning at 10:00 sharp, and closing at 9:00 p. m. A full day of profit from a program prepared to please.

On the front page you will see the picture of one of our guest speakers. He brings to us a challenging way in which we can "do for others what we would have others do for us" were we in the same condition. You will want to hear Mr. Gage. Watch for the outline program.

MEETING THE NEEDS OF ADULTS THROUGH THE BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Recently we wrote to all of our pastors telling them about our new book, Meeting the Needs of Adults Through the Baptist Training Union. Already the cards have been coming in from the pastors saying they were soon to organize a class of their adults and together they would study this book. It is destined to be a great blessing to our adult constituency.

31,683 study course awards issued in October is the southwide record. You will be interested to see how they were distributed: JJuniors 7,041; Intermediates, 6,368; Young People, 5,227; Adults 9,476; Administration, 3, 571. You will note that the adults lead by 2,235 the next highest which is the Juniors. This is as it should be, the adults are taking advantage of the Adult Union. They fall in love with it for it brings to them what they needed and wanted, the opportunity to fit themselves for larger service as a Christian and church member.

1,334 study course awards were issued in Mississippi in October. These were sent to more than half of our associations. Lauderdale led in number, Pike second, Hinds third, Adams-Franklin fourth, and Lebanon fifth.

56 New unions were organized in October. Notice how evenly they are distributed - Story Hours, 10; Juniors, 11; Intermediates, 12; Young People, 11, Adults, 12. These 56 unions were set up in thirteen churches. In nearly every case a five unit Training Union was established.

REV. CARL TALBERT ACCEPTS WORK IN ALABAMA

Rev. Carl Talbert, until recently pastor at Marion has accepted a call to the Westside Baptist church in Bessemer Alabama. Brother Talbert was president of District 11 of our Training Union and Mrs. Talbert was director of the Marion church. Both were great Training Union leaders and we regret to lose them from our state. The Marion union is one of our standard unions for this year. We congratulate Westside Bessemer and wish the Talberts God speed as they enter upon this new task.

OUR DISTRICT PRESIDENTS ARE GOING VISITING

During the first three weeks of December our District Convention Presidents are visiting the associations that make up their district. They are asking all pastors, directors, leaders of unions, members of adult

and young people's unions, members of intermediate and junior unions, yes, all who will come are invited. It will be an informal conference on training union work. Suggesting of activities for the new year, setting goals etc., will commend the interest of those attending. Surely every pastor and leader will respond to the call of these interested volunteers and will arrange for the meeting in response to the request of these presidents. When you get their letter, answer it immediately. We are hoping that such a conference can be held in every association in the state. We are well pleased with the progress our unions are making.

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Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

- December 8 — Charles Allman, Secretary, Winston County Brotherhood Association
- December 9 — Mrs. Ennabel Alexander, secretary, Dr. McCall's office.
- December 10 — Rev. James B. Parker, Institutional Visitor.
- December 11 — Dr. M. L. Flynt, Jr., President Newton County Brotherhood Association.
- December 12 — Mrs. L. E. Williams, Baptist Record Mailing Department.
- December 13 — George Brunson, Second vice-president, Pike County Brotherhood Association.
- December 14 — Kern Pratt, Executive Committee of the South.

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CARL TALBERT ACCEPTS ALABAMA PASTORATE

Rev. Carl E. Talbert has resigned the pastorate at Marion in order to accept the pastorate of West Side Church, Bessemer, Alabama, effective December first.

During the pastorate in Marion the church has erected and paid for a pastorium, installed butane gas in the church and the pastor's home, installed a window fan, painted the basement, inaugurated the use of offering envelopes and are at present working on an itemized budget.

The Sunday School has maintained the standard and the Training Union has been standard for the last three quarters. The enrollment in B.T.U. has doubled, in Sunday School it has trebled and finances have also doubled.

The Rev. Talbert served as pastor advisor for the Lauderdale County B.T.U. for two years, president of the Rural pastors' conference for the last year and only recently was elected Moderator of the Lauderdale Association.

The ministry of the Rev. Talbert was marked by the fact that he was the first resident pastor and the people on the field were ready to go forward under his ministry.

96 Awards In Three Vacation Bible Schools



Teachers, Pastor L. P. Petty and lady helpers at "Mission" Vacation Bible School, also some of the teachers for Vacation Bible Schools held at Quentin and Bude. The principal for Quentin and Bude, Mrs. Dewey Moselle Hickman, is not shown.



Bible School, teachers, helpers and pastor L. P. Petty on picnic at close of School from "mission" church, near Bude.

Three Vacation Bible Schools were held three consecutive weeks in July with a total of 96 awards granted at the completion of the schools. Each school held a preparation day.

Beginning July 14 for a week thirteen teachers from Bude and Pastor L. P. Petty led in a Vacation Bible School at Quenton. Thirty-three certificates were presented on commencement night.

The week of July 21-25 a Bible School was held at "mission" church near Bude. Fourteen was the number of the faculty members. This school also awarded 33 certificates.

Fifteen teachers and helpers assisted in the Bude Bible School, and 60 awards were granted.

At the close of each week's school a period of fun and fellowship with refreshments served was enjoyed by both pupils and teachers.

The Rev. L. P. Petty is pastor of Bude, Quentin, and Hopewell Churches and also of the new "mission" church near Bude.

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BAPTIST HEAD PROPOSES "FAITH" TRAIN

SYRACUSE, N. Y. —(RNS)— A "faith" train to follow the freedom and friendship trains has been proposed here by Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg, pastor of First Baptist church and president of the Northern Baptist Convention.

In making this suggestion before a congregation of 1,500 Syracusans, Dr. Dahlberg said he would have on the "faith" train representatives of the three faiths, Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish. They would travel throughout the nation and place before it in friendly cooperation the great religious issues of the day.

World Baptists Asked To Pray Daily In 1948

ST. LOUIS, Mo. —(RNS)— Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, president of the Baptist World Alliance, has called upon the world's 15,000,000 Baptists to pause for prayer at 8 o'clock each morning in 1948.

"By so doing we will establish a round-the-world hour of prayer," Dr. Johnson said in a New Year's greeting just prepared. "Some will be praying every hour of the twenty four."

Dr. Johnson, pastor of Third Baptist church here and a prominent figure in both the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions, was elected president of the world Baptist fellowship at its congress in Copenhagen last summer.

"As these greetings are read all around the world, another year will be drawing to a close and a new year will be dawning," Dr. Johnson has written.

"How different will be conditions in which this message will be read. With some there will be laughter and song and revelry. And to millions, the date on a calendar will have little significance, because for them every day is filled with sorrow, suffering and anxiety."

"To all such of our Baptist family we extend our sincere love and prayers. The strong must bear the burdens of the weak, and our Baptist World Alliance, from its united strength, has undertaken to provide clothing for one million people and one million dollars for food by July 1, 1948."

"We realize this will not meet the tremendous need, but it will at least, testify to our deep concern, as well as our sincere desire to share with those less fortunate."

"Two objectives have been set before us," Dr. Johnson continued. "Each is so important that we can hardly say either should be first. They are — Evangelism and Relief, or Relief and Evangelism. They are inseparably linked in our program ahead."

"Millions are hungry and dying for food, clothing and shelter. Millions also are hungry and longing for the gospel, the Bread of Life, and the Light of the World. As one of the Brethren said to me in Copenhagen, after expressing thanks for all the material aid which had been sent to his people, 'Please do not cheat us on the gospel.'"

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The Light of Faith by Albert W. Palmer, President of The Chicago Theological Seminary and Professor of Practical Theology in the Federated Theological Faculty of the University of Chicago, is an Outline of Religious Thought for Laymen. The author is a member of a Congregational Christian Church and has been an ordained minister for more than 40 years. The book represents the author's free and unfettered religious convictions without any silent reservations, hidden inhibitions or outside control. Dr. Palmer says that he has tried to put the book in language free from the jargon of schools and even the pulpit so that any layman may understand it at a glance. Among the 12 chapters some of the titles are: The God of Tomorrow, A Look at the Religion of Jesus, The Christ of Faith and Theology, What's Right and Wrong and Why?, and Some Modern Confessions of Faith. Order from the MacMillan Company, New York or from the Baptist Book Store for \$1.75.

Dr. Malcolm D. Knight, pastor of First Church, Ocala, Florida, preached at Bruce on November 23. Dr. Knight's wife is a daughter of Pastor J. B. Middleton.

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Music Notes From a Summer Worker

Patricia Ann Hicks

My experiences this summer in teaching of music study course made me realize more than ever the need for departments of church music. Until this summer I had not thought too much about the problems of our churches in their music programs. Churches that do have trained leaders are very fortunate, but there is a great number of churches in our state that need guidance and training.

There has been some advancement toward this end, I believe Church members realize that the congregation, as well as the choir, needs preparation and leadership. All of the people with whom I have had contact were more than willing to work and study to improve their singing. Even those who do not sing support the school in many ways. Almost all of the churches are supplied with good hymnals. It is now mostly a problem of having trained leaders who can encourage and direct individual participation, teaching them how to read music, sing parts, and lead in group singing.

The song service of the church is the time when all the members can feel that they are having an active part in worshipping God and praising Him. Many times a song will give them help when nothing else will. Hymns will linger in their minds long after they have forgotten the words or theme of the sermon.

I believe that the greatest possibilities are in work with the young people. They all like to sing, are interested, and are ready and quick to

learn. Young people need and desire an outlet—a way to direct their energies—and the youth choirs can satisfy their desire very well. Here at Blue Mountain College some of the most impressive as well as inspirational services are singspirations and song services.

It is a wonderful feeling to see young people and old alike eager to learn as much about music as possible. All age groups enjoy singing, and it takes only a little encouragement to have everyone taking part in the music services. This task requires prayer and faith along with diligent work. With God's help this can be accomplished.

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HAVE YOU EVER TRIED IT?

By Lawson H. Cooke

Have you ever tried to preach one hundred and four sermons a year to the same congregation?

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Have you ever tried to visit in five hundred homes in twelve months?

Have you ever tried to lead when no one would follow?

Have you ever tried to get a little man to do a big job?

Have you ever tried to carry the weight of a lost world?

Have you ever tried to love when others hate, or praise when others condemn?

Have you ever tried to bind up broken hearts or re-establish broken homes?

Have you ever tried to sympathize with and help fallen men and women when others seem not to care?

Have you ever tried to smile upon empty collection plate and realize that the world's moving away from God?

Have you ever tried to pour out your very soul to get men to give themselves to Christ and have no response?

If not, then you cannot know what it means to be the pastor of a Baptist church.

Pray At Eight In '48

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The deacons and their wives were the guests of the pastor, B. T. Bishop and his wife at the City Cafe in Meadville recently. This was an hour of fine fellowship, and thanksgiving to God for His presence in the hearts of the people to lead on in the great work of the Kingdom of our Lord. It is encouraging to note that during the month of November there have been professions of faith in Christ and transfer of letter every Sunday. Matt. 7:7.

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: C. E. Hutson, Wesson; Rev. M. P. Jones, Sylvaena; Rev. George H. Gay, Ripley; Betty J. Ellison, Anita Abner, Gary Ellison, Mrs. D. L. Thompson, Bovina; Frances Skinner, Ethyl Robertson, Edna McGuire, Mary Ellen Skinner Skinner, James Tingle, Dorothy Poole, Norma J. Ellison, Shelby Jean Miller, Jean Harris, Nathan W. Lamar, Billy J. Tingle, Mrs. Dave Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Kappley, Frank W. Kappley, Charles Kappley, Mrs. Bessie Robertson, Vicksburg; Lynton Cooper, Star; Rev. Robt. B. Dickson, Jr., Vicksburg; Mrs. Roy Jones, Mrs. D. E. Winstead, Mrs. E. T. Cooper and Isham Cooper, Morton.

The Rev. M. Glenn Smith, pastor of the Friendship Church, Pike County, and Superintendent of the District B. T. U. Convention, will be at the Baptist Church in Meadville for an Associational B. T. U. Conference December 9, at 7:30. The Rev. James W. Crumpton, West Side Church, Natchez, is the Adams-Franklin B. T. U. Associational Director. Every church in Adams-Franklin Association should have a large delegation at this meeting.—B. T. BISHOP, Pastor.

On November 23, Friendship Church, Pike County, M. Glenn Smith, pastor, had the opening of its newly organized library. We are looking forward to a great service in this branch of our work.—Mrs. Glenn Smith, Assistant Librarian.

The members of County Line Church, Copiah County observed Thanksgiving by coming together at 7:30 a. m., for a praise and thanksgiving service and remaining during the day to work on the pastorium. They are working to complete the new pastorium by Christmas. Much work was done by the men on the building. The ladies prepared a fine meal for those working. It was indeed a day of thanksgiving and fellowship. The members thought this a fine way to show their thanks for all the blessings received during the past year.—L. C. HOFF, Pastor.

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Minutes of the Panola County Association for 1947 have been received in this office. Reports from the 23 churches show a resident membership of 1,974, 110 baptisms, additions by letter 124, Sunday School enrollment 1,978, Training Union enrollment 668, W.M.U. Enrollment 512, contributions by W.M.U. \$2,101, gifts for local work \$56,227 and for Missions \$67,421.

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South Carolina Baptists elected Dr. John L. Plyler as president and voted to meet next year in Columbia. Dr. W. M. Seay has been named as acting editor of the Baptist Courier until a permanent editor can be elected.



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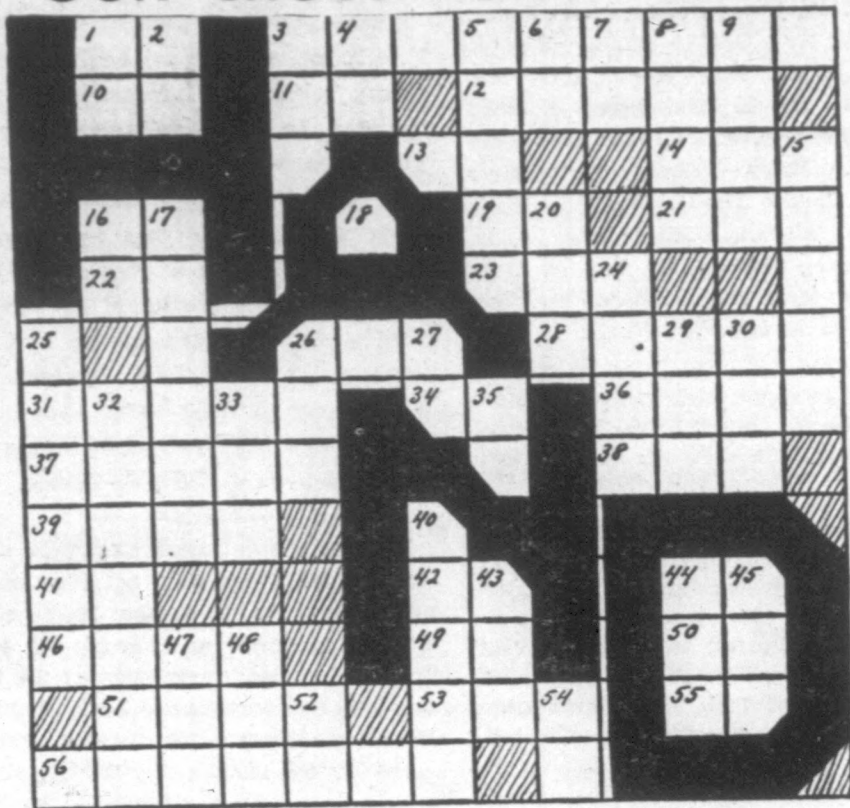
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Horizontal

- 1 "the Son of man . . . Lord also of the sabbath" Luke 6:5
- 3 "he entered into the . . . and taught" Luke 6:6
- 10 "and said . . . the man" Luke 6:8
- 11 Diphthong; of age
- 12 "And he arose and . . . forth" Luke 6:8
- 13 Correct
- 14 "And all that handle the . . ." Ezek. 27:29
- 16 "Rise . . . , and stand" Luke 6:8
- 18 " . . . will ask you one thing" Luke 6:8
- 19 Exclamation of inquiry
- 21 Dead Letter Office
- 22 Seventh note
- 23 "whether he would heal on the sabbath . . ." Luke 6:7
- 26 "and lift it . . ." Matt. 12:11
- 28 Devil
- 31 Behaved
- 34 "stand forth . . . the midst" Luke 6:8
- 36 Among
- 37 "his hand was restored . . . as the other" Luke 6:10
- 38 Relative
- 39 "if it . . . into a pit on the sabbath day" Matt. 12:11
- 41 Home of Abram Gen. 11:31
- 42 " . . . to do evil" Luke 6:9
- 44 Missouri
- 46 "to save . . . , or to destroy it" Luke 6:9
- 49 Egyptian sun god
- 50 "that they might find . . . accusation against him" Luke 6:7
- 51 "and he was strong as the . . ." Amos 2:9
- 53 "like as . . . other" Matt. 12:13
- 55 Northeast
- 56 "he said unto the man . . . forth thy hand" Luke 6:10

Vertical

- 1 "And . . . came to pass" Luke 6:6
- 2 "And he did . . ." Luke 6:10
- 3 and 4 "But whom . . . that I am" Luke 9:20
- 5 "And they . . . him, saying, Is it" Matt. 12:10
- 6 Grand Tyler
- 7 Small yellow bird
- 8 "Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do . . ." Luke 6:9
- 9 Freehold
- 15 "And looking . . . about upon them all, he said" Luke 6:10
- 16 "being interpreted is, God with . . ." Matt. 1:23
- 17 Small firearm
- 20 "man which . . . his hand withered" Matt. 12:10
- 24 "his parents went to Jerusalem every . . . at the feast" Luke 2:41

- 25 "it is . . . to do well on the sabbath days" Matt. 12:12
- 26 Poem
- 27 Titanium
- 29 Madame
- 30 "Give us of your . . . ; for our lamps are gone out" Matt. 25:8
- 32 "sitting in his . . . read Esaias the prophet" Acts 8:28
- 33 Measure of length
- 35 "Take therefore . . . thought for the morrow" Matt. 6:34
- 40 "And he stretched it . . ." Matt. 12:13
- 43 Hurrah
- 44 "How much then is a . . . better than a sheep" Matt. 12:12
- 45 "that shall have . . . sheep" Matt. 12:11
- 47 "when he was now not . . . from the house" Luke 7:6
- 48 To add to
- 52 . . . Luke
- 54 Half an em

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Chaplain Commends Parker

Reverend James B. Parker
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JACKSON, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Parker:

We, at the hospital, wish to express our great appreciation for your assistance. Your visits are appreciated very much by the patients who receive the Baptist Record and other approval literature which you hand them. Your impartial spirit and personal interest in each patient you reach is of great value to the patients. We feel that you are eminently qualified for the type of work you are doing. — H. W. F. Vaughan, Chaplain, Veterans Administration Hospital, Jackson.

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DALLAS, Tex. —(RNS)— A budget of \$400,000 for 1948 has been adopted by First Baptist church of Dallas, and exactly half of it will go to missions. The congregation with 8,500 members is the largest single church in the Southern Baptist Convention. Rev. W. A. Criswell has been pastor since the death of Dr. George W. Truett, who led the church from 1897 to 1944.

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The Belhaven College B.S.U. Jackson, has organized a quartette composed of Lanell Weathersby, Jackson; Bobbye Dickson, Brandon; Ruth Evelyn Mestling, Jackson; and Bonnie Jean Griffith, Jackson. They expect to sing in various programs on and off the campus during the year.—Margaret Shipp, reporter.



These girls have been elected to the feature section of the MOUNTAINEER, Blue Mountain College yearbook: Seated (left to right) most versatile, Norma Jean John, Jefferson City, Mo.; most intellectual, Joan Yates, Houston, Texas; sportsmanship, Elizabeth Smith, Blue Mountain. Standing: friendliest, Kathryn Jewell, Meridian; most dependable, Hazel Rodgers, Yazoo City; most charming, Louise Oliver, Kosciusko.

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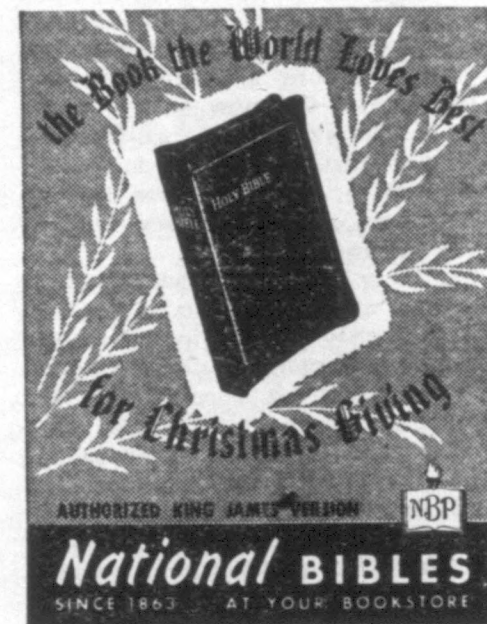
Lyric and Legend by Idabelle Yeiser contains three parts. Part one contains selected poems for a previous volume entitled "Moods", part two has chiefly new poems and part three is "The Indian Legend." The author is a Pennsylvanian and has taught and served as Curriculum Consultant in Philadelphia Public Schools.

The book is dedicated to Marian Anderson whose voice has been an inspiration to the author and one of the poems is entitled to her. Order from the Christopher Publishing House, 1140 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass., or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$2.00.

Construction Begun On Madison Church

Construction has begun on the new church building at Madison. On Sunday, November 3, Rev. James B. Parker brought an inspiring message at the morning hour and a special offering was taken for the new building which amounted to \$3,140.50. Dinner was served at the church to those present. At 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, a dedication and ground breaking service was held on the new church grounds. Pictures were made showing Charlie L. Atkinson, one of the oldest charter members, turning the first shovel of dirt. According to B. L. McMillian, chairman of the Building Committee, the new structure should be completed in about four months.

The church has set for its goal on the first Sunday in December, a \$1,000.00 offering. Having a very small membership any offering to B. L. McMillan, treasurer, Madison, Mississippi.



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Sunday School Lesson

By Hight C. Moore
December 7, 1947

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

In the third epistle of John, which urges hospitality to the gospel and its messengers, we have a picture of Christain fellowship in the churches near the close of the apostolic era.

Lesson Text and Outline 3 John

I. WRITER IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The elder unto the well-beloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth.

II. WORKERS FOR CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth.

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

III. BENEFICIARIES OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers;

Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, thou shalt do well:

Because that for his name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles.

We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellow-helpers to the truth.

IV. DISTURBER or CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

I wrote unto the church; but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not.

Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth them out of the church.

Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.

V. WITNESS TO CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Demetrius hath good report of all men, and of the truth itself; yea, and we also bear record; and ye know that our record is true.

VI. BUILDERS OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee:

But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face. Peace be to thee. Our friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name.

The Lesson of the Lesson

Cultivate Christian Fellowship

(1) Fellowship in Love. "The well-beloved . . . whom I live."

(2) Fellowship in Prayer. "I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health."

(3) Fellowship in Joy. "I rejoiced greatly."

(4) Fellowship in Witness. "The brethren came and testified."

(5) Fellowship in Walk. "Thou walkest in the truth."

(6) Fellowship in Faithfulness.

(Editor's note: This copy failed to reach the printers last week in time to appear in the issue of November 27. We are glad to use it this week.)

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE November 23, 1947

	SS	BTU
Jackson, First	1236	538
Jackson, Calvary	1272	344
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone St. Mission	1313	394
Jackson, Davis Memorial	239	101
Jackson, Northside	304	117
Jackson, Van Winkle	315	178
Byram	85	74
Paul Truitt Memorial,		
Rankin County	51	46
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	430	182
New Albany, First	433	189
New Albany, First including		
North Side Mission	460	
West Laurel	370	130
Laurel, First	487	137
Grenada, First	487	123
Center, Union County	74	45
Rocky Springs, Yazoo County	25	
East McComb	393	229
Booneville	221	106
Batesville	191	55
Murphy Creek, Winston		
County	88	43
Houlka	60	38
Columbus, First	598	259
Newton	517	178
Paynes	109	55
Carmel, Lawrence County	100	88
Friendship, Pike County	186	102
Centerville	152	63
Chester	49	
Myrick, Jones County	110	94
Brooklyn	83	63
Hattiesburg, Main Street	776	304
Gulfport, First	544	127
Pleasant Valley, Simpson		
County	94	
Louisville, First	304	116
Brookhaven, First	710	200
Magee's Creek, Walthall		
County	75	115
Wellman, Lincoln County	55	63
Greenville, First	545	224
Darling	60	28
Crystal Springs	592	111
Pascagoula, First	676	203
Chalybeate	45	26
Greenwood, First	424	
Mt. Vernon, Leflore County	50	45
New Prospect, DeSoto		
County	73	61

November 16, 1947

Flora	135	75
Brooklyn	89	61
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	81	58
Ellison Ridge, Winston County	116	90
Soso	137	72
Eastside, Rankin County	102	80
O'Tuckolofa, Yalobusha		
County	70	
Lucedale	245	111
Gulfport	600	126
Murphy Creek, Winston		
County	153	80
Magee's Creek, Walthall		
County	89	105

"Thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers."

(7) Fellowship in Hospitality. "Bring forward on their journey . . . receive such, that we might be fellow-helpers."

(8) Fellowship in Reproof. "I will remember his deeds . . . prating against us with malicious words."

(9) Fellowship in Commendation. "Our friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name."

Gold in the Golden Text

Follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God. 3 John 11.

The example of evil must not be followed, and enticement to evil must not be heeded. Such examples are abundant on every hand. Such enticements are everywhere set to ensnare everybody who will yield. Imitate them not with one single iota of interest. Stand firm against all allurements

40 & 25 Years Ago

By J. L. Boyd, Sr.

40 YEARS AGO

Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, Rev. G. W. Riley, pastor, recently organized, has in just one year built a new house of worship, seated it all free of debt, with one hundred membership and full time.

Clarke Memorial College has been established and located at Newton, the town having offered as an inducement \$35,000, a 40-acre site, fifty scholarships and free water for five years. Other offers: Bay Springs, \$15,000 and 100 acres; Philadelphia, \$20,000 and twenty acres; Summerland, \$11,000 and 700 acres; and Taylorsville, \$14,000 and 677 acres.

25 YEARS AGO

Prof. A. J. Aven is practically well of a serious illness and back at his work in Mississippi College.

Pastor W. O. Carter reports 70 having been added to the membership of the Raymond Baptist church in the past eleven months, which is a 50 per cent increase.

Dr. J. F. Love of the Foreign Mission Board reports 90 tons of clothing having been sent to Russia as relief so far.

A Senior B.Y.P.U. was formed in the Hazelhurst Baptist church "for the older of people of the church." Their slogan:—"After Jan. 1, no drone in the church membership."

The Osyka Baptist church, Rev. J. K. Gilmore as pastor, has just dedicated a new brick house of worship. Built at a cost of \$20,000 and "without calling on the Denomination for a dollar." In addition, it is the only church in Pike county that has paid in full the first three years subscription to the 75-Million Campaign.

Missionary Frank M. Purser sends greeting to Mississippi Baptists and asks that they remember the work in Brazil in earnest prayer.

President Endorses Bible Reading Program

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(RNS)—

President Truman has indorsed the Thanksgiving - to - Christmas Daily Bible Reading Program of the American Bible Society, it was announced here by Dr. William L. Darby, executive secretary of the Washington City Bible Society.

Dr. Darby, disclosing that several hundred thousand leaflets with the suggested daily readings listed have been distributed throughout the world, said the President had indorsed the Bible-reading program in these words, in part:

"The Bible is the book our fathers and mothers knew . . . I hope that the observance of Bible Sunday on December 14 and the daily reading of the Scriptures from Thanksgiving to Christmas will inspire the present generation to return to the practice of their forebears.

"As we prepare to go ahead with the tasks which lie ahead, we shall find strength and courage if we gird ourselves with 'the Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God.'"

to evil. Remember that the siren songs lead to the rocks of ruin.

On the other hand, copy good and only good. Look upward, for good is of God. Yearn after it. "He who does good is a child of God; he who does evil has not seen God" (Weymouth).



Answer to Crossword Puzzle on Page 14

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Removing The Peg On Foreign Missions

By M. Theron Rankin

In a recent article I called attention to the present budget arrangement of the Southern Baptist Convention which, if continued, will place a limit on the receipts of the Foreign Mission Board from the co-operative program at a level lower than the receipts for 1947. Subsequent discussion of this article reveals the need for a further statement to clarify our thinking.

1. I have not proposed that any change be made in the plans for 1948. I have suggested that the present arrangement should be reconsidered before a plan is adopted for 1949. At its meeting in December, the Executive Committee will consider a recommendation for the 1949 program to be presented to the Convention next May. In considering a matter of such importance to all Southern Baptists it appears to me that we should have the benefits and guidance of discussion before the Executive Committee meets.

2. Any arrangement to provide funds for the Foreign Mission Board must, at the same time, make provision for capital needs of the other southwide agencies. There can be no choice as between these needs without causing injury to all the agencies.

3. The basic problem is as to how Southern Baptists can provide the capital funds needed by southwide agencies and, at the same time, provide for an enlarging program of world missions. Under the present arrangement, the operating program of the Foreign Mission Board must be held down in order to provide the capital funds.

4. The ultimate solution can be found only as enlarged funds are provided for the southwide agencies. There is no easy way to provide the capital funds without paying for them, either in additional money or by curtailing the operating budgets of southwide agencies.

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Calif. Southern Baptists Pledge \$200,000 For Missions

SAN DIEGO, Calif. —(RNS)— Delegates to the seventh annual convention of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California here pledged \$200,000 for missionary work during the coming year.

The sessions, attended by 1,000 representatives of 175 churches in California, Washington and Oregon, heard that a college for religious training is planned by the group. Five sites are currently under consideration.

Dr. Hollis A. Burge, pastor of the First Southern Baptist church here, was reelected Convention president. Dr. A. F. Crittendon of Fresno, Calif., was reelected executive secretary, while Dr. S. G. Posey, professor at Golden Gate Seminary, Sacramento, was named vice president.

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WHO WILL ANSWER THIS?

(Editor's Note: We have received a letter with a question in it. We wish someone would give us a wise answer for this Ex-Service man and his family. The question was from an earnest Baptist family which had been "on the move" during the war. Below we reproduce the letter and the question.)

When the man was discharged, he bought a home in the suburbs of a southern city. Upon arriving at their new home they learned of the community Baptist Church, where they attended, but no one noticed them. They overlooked this neglect the first time and went back the next Sunday to experience the same reception, although their neighbor who lived across the street and was

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"Unto One Of These . . . My Brethren"

Editor's Note: Dr. Hall is the popular pastor of the First Church, Decatur, Ga. and a native of New Albany, Miss.

The appeal has just come for Southern Baptists to clothe 500,000 people now and to give \$500,000 to buy food for them. It occurred to me that it would be more effective to think in terms of individuals than in terms of 500,000 people.

My plan is to ask the congregation on Sunday morning to indicate how many "changes of raiment" they will provide. I shall ask that, where possible, an individual will provide a complete outfit for one individual. (Of course, clothing in any amount will be welcome.) The package should include every item from shoes to hat and also night garments. Blankets and bed linen would be optional. I shall ask that the clothing be rolled together in a compact bundle and tied with a cord. A card should be attached indicating the height, weight, suit size, hat size and shoe size of the donor. A cheering note of Christian fellowship might be included, which would also do much good.

Several Advantages

It seems to me that this procedure will have several distinct advantages over the method of simply calling for used clothing:

First—It will personalize the giving.

a "Big Shot" (quote) was asked to stand and give a hearty welcome.

After they were overlooked at this place where they wanted to join they decided to visit around and try to find a church home. They visited the Non-denominational Church and liked it better. They are Baptist and want to stay Baptist, if they can, so they visited some of the larger churches in the city but no one discovered that they were visitors.

After they had made the rounds they visited a Holiness Church, where they were received with open arms. They had been overlooked by so many self-satisfied Baptist Churches they were hungry for some group to recognize them so he asked the question: "SHOULD I JOIN A HOLINESS CHURCH WHERE I WILL BE WELCOME AND WHERE I CAN WORSHIP?"

Is there any wonder that Holiness churches have gained faster than any other Evangelical Group? This is one of the ways they are gaining. They are getting the Baptists that are overlooked and ignored by the self-satisfied Baptist Churches!

Homecoming For B.S.U. Council Members At B.M.C.

Blue Mountain, Miss. Nov. 28 — Miss Helen Bolt, Student Secretary at Blue Mountain College, announces that December 5, 6, 7 is to be Homecoming Week End for the B.S.U. Council members for the past ten years (1937-47). Visitors will stay in the dormitories as guests of the students.

The executive council of the current session will entertain the guests at Broach Friday evening. Saturday in the Broach Hilarium a party for the visitors and the entire student body will be given.

Mrs. Sibyl Brame Townsend will teach a class for the visitors Sunday morning.

I believe that people will respond to the thought that an individual can be responsible for completely outfitting another individual. Jesus personalized it, "I was naked and you clothed Me."

Second—This should enlarge our giving and make it more symmetrical. Often an individual who might otherwise simply give a suit of clothing will go the second mile completely to dress an individual.

Time Is Vital

Third—This method should hasten the delivery of the parcels. If these packages are properly tied and tagged, a minimum of repacking should be necessary so that goods can go forward and be distributed with much greater rapidity. Time is a rather vital element with winter coming on, and we understand that it will take some six weeks from the time these bundles leave New Orleans until they are in the hands of our needy friends.

The Urgency Is Great

With reports brought to us from our own President, from representatives of our denomination, and with what many of us saw in Europe this summer, surely no one can doubt the urgency of the need of these people in Europe. The hopelessness and the helplessness as expressed in the faces of many whom we saw will be a haunting memory. That this collection will go primarily to our needy Baptist brethren should spur us to full generosity and great joy in giving.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto ONE—one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

MRS. FANNIE CALDWELL CLARK

Whereas, today we pause to pay tribute to the oldest member of Cherry Creek Church, Mrs. Fannie Caldwell Clark.

Whereas, she had been a faithful Christian for seventy five years, always attending the preaching and teaching services as long as health permitted.

Whereas, she strove courageously to rear her family of sons and daughters in Christian discipline, always calm and serene with faith in her Lord as she lived from day to day.

Whereas, though frail in body in her latter years, her strength and faith were a constant example and source of inspiration to all who knew her and whereas, in the hearts of her many friends she leaves a memory too beautiful for words.

Whereas, we feel that our church and community have suffered a great loss in her going but the influence of her life will live on in the hearts of her loved ones and friends.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we express our sympathy to the bereaved family and pray God's richest blessings upon them. And further that a copy of these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the church and a copy be sent to the family and a copy be sent to the Baptist Record.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. M. Pitts,
Mrs. H. O. Leavell.

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THE LEAGUE, A Review of American Foreign Policy from 1914 to 1946 is by Myron M. Johnson. The book deals especially with the Democratic and Republican records regarding the League of Nations. It is not an indictment of anyone, but shows some of the vacillations and inconsistencies of America's course. The author is a graduate of the Sheffield Scientific School, Yale University, is a veteran of the First World War, and since 1921 has been an editorial writer on the World Telegram, serving as chief editorial writer for the past four years. The book is not a product of routine research, but is the result of an interest in world peace for 30 years. The book contains 14 chapters. Order from the publishers, House of Edinboro, 21 Edinboro Street, Mass. or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$1.00.

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DALLAS, Texas —(BR)— A budget of \$400,000 for 1948 has been adopted by the First Baptist Church of Dallas, and exactly half of it will go to missions. The congregation with 8,500 members is the largest single church in the Southern Baptist Convention. Rev. W. A. Criswell is pastor.